

**City: MIAMISBURG**  
***MOUND PLANT (USDOE)***

**Site Information:**

**Site Name:** MOUND PLANT (USDOE)  
**Address:** MIAMISBURG, OH  
  
**EPA ID:** OH6890008984  
**EPA Region:** 05

**Record of Decision (ROD):**

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**Media:** groundwater, waste materials, soil

**Contaminant:** VOCs, vinyl chloride, trichloromethane, 1,2-cis-dichloroethene, TCE, tetrachlorethene, 1,1,1-trichloroethane, radium-226, 2,3,7,8-TCDD, arochlor-1248, benzo(a)pyrene, benzo(b)flouranthene, plutonium-238, strontium-90

**Abstract:** Please note that the text in this document summarizes the Record of Decision for the purposes of facilitating searching and retrieving key text on the ROD. It is not the officially approved abstract drafted by the EPA Regional offices. Once EPA Headquarters receives the official abstract, this text will be replaced.

The U.S. Department of Energy (DOE) Mound Plant site is located within the southern city limits of Miamisburg, Ohio. The site is approximately 10 miles south-southwest of Dayton and 45 miles north of Cincinnati. Miamisburg is predominantly a residential community with some supportive commercial facilities and limited industrial development. Much of the residential, commercial, and industrial development within a 5-mile radius of the site is concentrated on the Great Miami River floodplain. The adjacent upland areas are used primarily for residences and agriculture or are unused open spaces.

Mound Golf Course and Miamisburg Mound State Memorial Park, both directly east of the facility across Mound road, are heavily used during favorable weather. The park is the site of a 68-foot high

ancient Indian Mound, located 380 feet east of the Mound Plant boundary. Other recreational areas within 1 mile of the facility include the Miamisburg municipal park and swimming pool, located immediately west of Mound Plant, Harmon Athletic Field, and Library Park. These areas are used extensively during the summer.

There are no large lakes within a 5-mile radius of the site. Some vestiges of the old Miami-Erie Canal lie between the Conrail Railroad and the Dayton-Cincinnati Pike west of the site. The remnant of the old Miami-Erie Canal is designated as Operable Unit (OU4). The major water body in the vicinity of the Mound Plant is the Great Miami River. It is approximately 150 to 200 feet wide in this area.

Agricultural land within a 5-mile radius area around the site is primarily used for corn and soybean production and for livestock grazing.

The population of Miamisburg is 17,834, Dayton is 182,044, and Montgomery County is 573,809. The only historic landmark in the vicinity of Mound Plant is the Miamisburg Mound, an ancient Indian mound located 280 feet east-southeast of Mound Plant in Miamisburg Mound State Memorial park. The mound - a symmetrical, conical earthwork 68 feet high and 800 feet in perimeter - is one of the largest of its type. It is believed to be the sepulcher of a chief of the Adena culture of Mound Builders, who inhabited the Ohio region as early as 800 B.C.

OU1 also includes the three plant production wells located along the southern plant boundary. An extended discussion of OU1 history, including waste disposal and construction activities, is provided in the Remedial Investigation (RI) report.

The former waste disposal sites within OU1 (the historic landfill and associated features) are concentrated within, beneath, and immediately adjacent to the current site sanitary landfill. These waste disposal sites are the result of a long history of dumping, burning, moving, reworking, burying, and partially removing wastes and placing them into the engineered structure (the site sanitary landfill). Currently, the area bounded by the overflow pond to the north, the paved roads to the west and south, and the bunker area to the east can be considered a single entity. It is internally heterogeneous; not all portions are contaminated. However, subdividing the area does not increase understanding of the transport phenomena that are occurring, nor does it facilitate developing remedial alternatives.

Mound Plant was established at its present location in 1948. Currently, the facility is operated by EG&G Mound Applied Technologies for DOE as an integrated research, development, and production facility that supports the DOE weapons and energy programs. To reconfigure and consolidate the nuclear complex, DOE has decided to phase out the future defense mission. As a result, the Mound site has been designated an environmental management site and the plant is in the process of being converted into a commercial and industrial site.

OU1, also identified as Area B, occupies approximately 4 acres in the southwestern portion of the Mound Plant. OU1 includes a historic landfill site that was used by the Mound Plant from 1948 to 1974. Plant waste materials that were disposed of in OU1 included general trash and liquid waste. Much of this waste was later relocated and encapsuled in a site sanitary landfill constructed in 1977. An overflow pond was constructed at the same time, partially covering the historic landfill site. After 1974, waste was no longer disposed of in OU1. There are known releases of volatile organic compounds (VOCs) from OU1 into the adjacent Buried Vallet aquifer (BVA). In addition, tritium was detected in water samples taken from wells in OU1, although the concentration was below the drinking water maximum contaminant level.

Cut and fill activities and refuse and waste disposal occurred within OU1 from 1948 to 1974. No written manifests of the waste types and quantities exist, and uniform disposal practices were not followed.

Before 1947, OU1 was a residential area with two or three small houses and storage buildings. During plant construction, the area was exploited for its gravel deposits. Removal of gravel was routine until 1977.

The old gravel excavation and the disturbed area just north of the excavation were used for a landfill, including open burning of trash and garbage from plant operations. A burn cage, consisting of a wire mesh structure that caught ashes from burning wood, paper, and other materials, was used. Solid waste, mostly paper, office, and kitchen garbage, was placed in the burn cage and ignited to reduce its volume.

In 1954, the first burial at OU1 occurred along the southern boundary of the old gravel quarry, just north of and parallel to the east-west road that climbs the SM/PP Hill. A backhoe was used to excavate an irregularly shaped trench to the maximum depth possible. Residual steel and metal debris were progressively buried in the trench. The

debris and backfill were regraded to just below the road level.

During 1955 and 1956, empty drums that had contained thorium were buried in the southwest corner of OU1. A shallow excavation was made, and about 2,500 55-gallon drums were crushed and then covered with a thin layer of soil cover. The buried drums and backfill were regraded to just below the level of the road. In 1969, the state of Ohio banned open burning, and Mound Plant prohibited open burning of solid and liquid waste in OU1. Hazardous liquid waste was collected and disposed of off site. Solid waste was placed in east-west trending trenches cut by a bulldozer.

In 1977 and 1978, the overflow pond and site sanitary landfill were constructed on the site of OU1. The overflow pond was built to complement the low-flow retention basins, which were constructed in 1976 on the lower reach of the plant drainage ditch. Much of the solid waste in the historic landfill was excavated and moved to the site sanitary landfill. Generally, debris from the Dayton Unit fire in the first trench and empty, crushed drums that had contained thorium in the second trench were not excavated and remained under the landfill. The volume excavated was limited by the volume required for the pond construction.

The pond was built with a natural clay-bearing compacted glacial till liner and earthen dikes. It has a 5,000,000 gallon capacity. Effluent in the overflow pond is discharged through a standpipe in the northwest corner of the pond to the stilling basin below the low flow retention basins. It then goes to the Miami-Erie Canal and to the Great Miami River through National Pollutants Discharge Elimination System (NPDES) Outfall 002 at a rate of approximately 660,000 gallons per day.

As of 1995, OU1 remains much as it did in 1978 after the overflow pond and site sanitary landfill were constructed. The road along the north and west boundary had been paved and, in the 1980s, a bridge was built over the overflow channel from the plant drainage ditch to the overflow pond.

**Remedy:**

This remedial action is the first of several actions planned as part of the overall remedial action for the Mound Plant site. The function of this remedial action is to control groundwater contamination to prevent migration of contamination toward the Mound Plant production wells and to minimize exposure to potential receptors. The pathway of concern consists of leaching of contaminants from site soils or disposed waste; entrainment in the groundwater flow; and withdrawal by the Mound Plant production wells or by other future wells.

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The major components of the selected remedy include: installing two groundwater extraction wells within OU1, using standard equipment and procedures; treating the extracted groundwater to remove VOCs and other constituents, as required, using cascade aeration, UV oxidation, conventional air stripping, or other suitable treatment units; discharging the treated groundwater to the Great Miami River through the existing plant NPDES outfall or a new outfall. Following installation and operation of the groundwater extraction wells, the chemical properties and hydraulic behavior of the groundwater system will be monitored to verify the adequacy of the remedy.

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OPERABLE UNIT 1

RECORD OF DECISION

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MIAMISBURG, OHIO

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#### ACRONYMS

ARAR	applicable or relevant and appropriate requirements
BVA	Buried Valley aquifer
CERCLA	Comprehensive Environmental Response, Compensation, and Liability Act
COC	contaminant of concern
COPC	contaminant of potential concern
CTE	central tendency exposure
D&D	Decontamination and Decommissioning
DCA	dichloroethane
DCE	dichloroethene
DOE	U.S. Department of Energy
ECAO	Environmental Criteria and Assessment Office (EPA)
FS	feasibility study
ft	feet
HEAST	Health Effects Assessment Summary Tables
HI	hazard index
HQ	hazard quotient
IRIS	Integrated Risk Information System
MCL	maximum contaminant level
MESH	Miamisburg Environmental Safety and Health
NCP	National Contingency Plan (CERCLA)
NPDES	National Pollutant Discharge Elimination System
NPL	National Priority List (EPA)
OAC	Ohio Administrative Code
OEPA	Ohio Environmental Protection Agency
OU	operable unit
PCB	polychlorinated biphenyl
PCE	tetrachloroethene
pCi/L	picocuries per liter
PRG	preliminary remediation goal
RAPCA	Regional Air Pollution Control Authority
RfC	reference concentration

RfD	reference dose
RI	remedial investigation
RIR	remedial investigation report
RME	reasonable maximum exposure
ROD	Record of Decision
SARA	Superfund Amendments and Reauthorization Act
SDWA	Safe Drinking Water Act
TBC	to be considered
TCA	trichloroethane
TCDD	tetrachlorodibenzo-p-dioxin
TC E	trichloroethene
USEPA	U.S. Environmental Protection Agency
UV	ultraviolet
VOC	volatile organic compound
µg/L	micrograms per liter

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DECLARATION

1. SITE NAME AND LOCATION

Operable Unit 1, Area B  
Mound Plant  
Miamisburg, Montgomery County, Ohio

2. STATEMENT OF BASIS AND PURPOSE

This decision document presents the selected remedial action for Operable Unit (OU) 1 at Mound Plant, Miamisburg, Montgomery County, Ohio, which is one of six distinct areas that comprise one contiguous site as listed on the National Priorities List (NPL) (Administrative Docket Number VW-90-C-075). This remedial action was selected in accordance with the Comprehensive Environmental Response, Compensation, and Liability Act (CERCLA), as amended by the Superfund Amendments and Reauthorization Act of 1986 (SARA), and to the extent practicable, the National Oil and Hazardous Substances Pollution Contingency Plan. This decision is based on the administrative record file for this site.

3. ASSESSMENT OF THE SITE

Actual or threatened releases of hazardous substances from this site, if not addressed by implementing the response action selected in this Record of Decision (ROD), may present an imminent and substantial endangerment to public health and welfare or the environment.

#### 4. DESCRIPTION OF REMEDY

This OU remedial action is the first of several actions planned as part of the overall remedial action for the Mound Plant Site. The function of this remedial action is to control groundwater contamination (primarily dilute volatile organic compounds [VOCs]), to prevent migration of contamination toward the Mound Plant production wells and to minimize exposure to potential receptors. The pathway of concern consists of leaching of contaminants from site soils or disposed waste; entrainment in the groundwater flow; and withdrawal by the Mound Plant production wells or by other, future wells.

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This remedial action is not the final remedial action for the Mound Plant Site, but is intended to be a final remedial action for OU 1. The decisions regarding remedial actions for other portions of the plant are being addressed in other OUs. These decisions will ultimately be considered in a Site-wide remedial investigation (RI) and feasibility study (FS), which are in progress. Additional response actions, if warranted, are yet to be identified or planned. A decision on the final remedial action for the Site will be made in a subsequent decision-making process.

The selected remedy for OU 1 is collection and treatment of contaminated groundwater and disposal of treated water. The precise method for treating the contaminated water will be determined during the remedial design phase of the project. All extracted groundwater will be treated to levels that comply with the requirements of the Mound Plant National Pollutants Discharge Elimination System (NPDES) Permit. This remedy was selected using the remedial evaluation criteria set forth in the National Contingency Plan, 40 CFR Part 300.

The major components of the selected remedy include:

- Installing two groundwater extraction wells within OU 1, using standard equipment and procedures.
- Treating the extracted groundwater to remove VOCs and other constituents, as required, using cascade aeration, UV oxidation, conventional air stripping, or other suitable treatment units.

- Discharging the treated groundwater to the Great Miami River through the existing plant NPDES outfall or a new outfall.

Following installation and operation of the groundwater extraction wells, the chemical properties and

hydraulic behavior of the groundwater system will be monitored to verify the adequacy of the remedy.

#### 5. STATUTORY DETERMINATION

The selected remedy is protective of human health and the environment. It complies with federal and state requirements that are legally applicable or relevant and appropriate to the remedial action and is cost effective. This is a final action ROD.

This remedy uses permanent solutions and alternative treatment technologies to the maximum extent practicable for this site and satisfies the statutory preference for remedies that employ treatment that reduces toxicity, mobility, or volume as a principal element. While the remedy calls for treatment of contaminated groundwater, treatment of soil at the site was not found to be practicable. The fact that the source of contamination is diffuse and no substantive onsite soil hot spots exist precludes a remedy consisting of excavation and treatment of contaminants in soil.

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Because this remedy may result in hazardous substances remaining onsite above health-based levels, a review will be conducted within 5 years after commencement of this remedial action and at 5-year intervals thereafter to ensure that the remedy continues to adequately protect human health and the environment.

#### 6. STATE CONCURRENCE

The State of Ohio (Ohio Environmental Protection Agency [OEPA]) concurs with the selected remedy.

The Letter of Concurrence is attached to this ROD (Attachment A).

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### OPERABLE UNIT 1

#### AREA B, MOUND PLANT, OHIO

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### DECISION SUMMARY

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OU 1 also includes the three plant production wells located along the southern plant boundary. An extended discussion of OU 1 history, including waste disposal and construction activities, is provided in the RI report (RIR).

The former waste disposal sites within OU 1 (the historic landfill and associated features) are concentrated within, beneath, and immediately adjacent to the current site sanitary landfill. These waste disposal sites are the result of a long history of dumping, burning, moving, reworking, burying, and partially removing wastes and placing them into the engineered structure (the Site sanitary landfill). Currently, the area bounded by the overflow pond to the north, the paved roads to the west and south, and the bunker area to the east can be considered a single entity. It is internally heterogeneous; not all portions are contaminated. However, subdividing the area does not increase understanding of the transport phenomena that are occurring, nor does it facilitate developing remedial alternatives.

## 2. SITE HISTORY AND ENFORCEMENT ACTIVITIES

Mound Plant was established at its present location in 1948. Currently, the facility is operated by EG&G Mound Applied Technologies for DOE as an integrated research, development, and production facility that supports the DOE weapons and energy programs. To reconfigure and consolidate the nuclear complex, DOE has decided to phase out the future defense mission. As a result, the

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Site has been designated an environmental management site and the plant is in the process of being converted into a commercial and industrial site.

OU 1, also identified as Area B, occupies approximately 4 acres in the southwestern portion of the Mound Plant (Figure 2). OU 1 includes a historic landfill site that was used by the Mound Plant from 1948 to 1974. Plant waste materials that were disposed of in OU 1 included general trash and liquid waste. Much of this waste was later relocated and encapsuled in a site sanitary landfill constructed in 1977. An overflow pond was constructed at the same time, partially covering the historic landfill site. After 1974, waste was no longer disposed of in OU 1. There are known releases of volatile VOCs from OU 1 into the adjacent Buried Valley aquifer (BVA). In addition, tritium was detected in water samples taken from wells in OU 1, although the concentration was below the drinking water maximum contaminant level.

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The Mound Plant Site was placed on the CERCLA NPL in 1989. The DOE signed a CERCLA Section 120 Federal Facility Agreement with the USEPA, effective October 1990. A similar tripartite agreement was signed among the DOE, USEPA, and OEPA in 1993. The OU 1 RI/FS was conducted between 1991 and 1994 to identify the types, quantities, and locations of contaminants and to develop ways of addressing the contamination problems.

### 3. HIGHLIGHTS OF COMMUNITY PARTICIPATION

The FS and Proposed Plan for OU 1 were released to the public on 15 November 1994. These two documents were made available in both the Administrative Record and in an information repository maintained in the public reading room at the Miamisburg Senior Adult Center, 305 E. Central Avenue, Miamisburg, Ohio 45343. The notice of availability for these two documents was published in the Dayton Daily News on 2, 7, and 21 November, 5 and 19 December 1994; and 1, 15, and 25 January 1995; in the Dayton Weekly News on 11-18 November 1994; in the Miamisburg News on 2 and 30 November, 7, 14, and 28 December 1994 and 11 January 1995; and in the Dayton Suburban News on 28 December 1994. Dayton Suburban News advertising for the FS and Proposed Plan was available to 160,000 persons in 19 local communities. A public comment period was held from 15 November 1994 through 31 January 1995.

A public meeting was held on 8 December 1994, where representatives from the DOE, EG&G, USEPA, OEPA, Ohio Department of Health, Agency for Toxic Substances and Disease Registry, and city of Miamisburg answered questions about problems at the site and about the remedial alternatives under consideration. During this meeting, members of the public questioned DOE's selection of the preferred

remedy, collection, treatment, and disposal and requested additional time to review the Proposed Plan.

As a result, a 30-day extension period for public review of the Proposed Plan was requested of the USEPA and OEPA. This extension was approved and the public review period was extended to 31 January 1995. Substantive comments were received on the Proposed Plan; a response to the comments received during this period is included in the Responsiveness Summary, which is part of this ROD.

This Decision Summary presents the selected remedial action for OU 1 chosen in accordance with CERCLA, as amended by SARA and, to the extent practicable, the NCP. The Responsiveness Summary discusses the involvement of the community during the RI/FS and remedy selection process and shows that the public participation requirements of CERCLA Sections 113(k) (2) (B) (i-v) and 117 have been met. The decision is based on the Administrative Record.

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#### 4. SCOPE AND ROLE OF OU

Because of the magnitude and complexity of the Mound Plant RI/FS, the Site has been divided into OUs as a means of managing the investigation. OUs 1, 2, 4, 6, 6, and 9 generally divide the Mound Plant Site into the geographic areas shown on Figure 2. These OUs and current objectives are as follows:

- Area B, OU 1, is the subject of this ROD. It occupies approximately 4 acres in the southwestern portion of the Mound Plant. OU 1 includes a historic landfill site that was used by the Mound Plant from 1948 to 1974. Plant waste materials that were disposed of in OU 1 included general trash and liquid waste. Much of this waste was later relocated and encapsuled in a site sanitary landfill constructed in 1977. An overflow pond was constructed at the same time, partially covering the historic landfill site. After 1974, waste was no longer disposed of in OU 1. There are known releases of VOCs from OU 1 into the adjacent BVA. In addition, tritium has been detected in water samples taken from wells in OU 1, although the concentration was below the drinking water maximum contaminant level.
- Main Hill, OU 2, includes potential release sites on the Mound Plant Main Hill, including some peripheral groundwater seeps. The scope of investigation includes characterization of the indurated bedrock and unconsolidated overburden on the Main Hill, associated soils, and groundwater.
- Miami-Erie Canal, OU 4, addresses an abandoned segment of the Miami-Erie Canal west of Mound Plant that contains plutonium-contaminated sediment; (from a 1969 waste-

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break) and tritium-contaminated soils. It is 1 mile long, and is considered to be potential release site.

- South Property, OU 5, includes soils with known or suspected radioactive contamination, as well as the geographical area of the SM/PP Hill, the Plant Valley, and the New Property. The sites within OU 5 are not currently scheduled for decontamination and decommissioning (D&D) under the D&D Program at Mound Plant. It is anticipated that, as sites obtain funding under the D&D Program, they may be moved from OU 5 to OU 6, described below. As with the Main Hill, investigations of the potential source terms on the SM/PP Hill may require characterization of the bedrock and unconsolidated overburden.

- D&D Program Sites, OU 6, includes potential release sites with radioactively contaminated soils that are undergoing cleanup or are scheduled for cleanup in the near future. Because it is already known that the contaminated soil will be cleaned up, and because the D&D Program is an ongoing activity (under the Atomic Energy Act) that reduces potential impacts to human health and the environment, the scope of the RI/FS for these sites is verification of cleanup after the soil is removed. The cleanup levels are to be determined through the CERCLA risk assessment process.

- Site-wide RI/FS, OU 9, includes off-plant migration of contaminants in groundwater, soils, surface water and sediments, air, and flora and fauna. In addition, the Site-wide RI/FS will ensure that a comprehensive investigation is performed by compiling all data from individual OU investigations into a comprehensive report. Data reports from specific site-wide investigations conducted under this work plan will be initially reported in interim reports or technical memoranda to ensure that the off-plant and regional data are available early.

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OU 1 encompasses an historical waste disposal area (landfill) from which there have been known releases of VOCs to the BVA, a sole-source aquifer. The cleanup remedy for OU 1 is selected from the alternatives discussed in the FS, which is available to the public for review. The contaminated groundwater in OU 1 is a principal threat at this site because of the possible offsite migration of the VOC-contaminated plume and the potential for direct ingestion of contaminants through drinking water

wells. The soil contaminants in OU 1 are restricted to the area of past disposal activity with no discernible source detected.

## 5. SITE CHARACTERISTICS

### 5.1. History of OU 1

Cut-and-fill activities and refuse and waste disposal have occurred within OU 1 from 1948 to 1974.

However, no written manifests of the waste types and quantities exist, and uniform disposal practices were not followed.

Before 1947, OU 1 was a residential area with two or three small houses and storage buildings. During plant construction, the area was exploited for its gravel deposits. Removal of gravel was routine until 1977. The gravel pit, as well as the waste disposal features discussed below, are shown in Figure 3.

The old gravel excavation and the disturbed area just north of the excavation were used for landfill, including open burning of trash and garbage from plant operations. A burn cage, consisting of a wire mesh structure that caught ashes from burning wood, paper, and other materials, was used. Solid waste, mostly paper, office, and kitchen garbage, was placed in the burn cage and ignited to reduce its volume.

In 1954, the first burial in OU 1 occurred along the southern boundary of the old gravel quarry, just north of and parallel to the east-west road that climbs the SM/PP Hill. A backhoe was used to excavate an irregularly shaped trench to the maximum depth possible. Residual steel and metal debris (such as rebar and pipe), the result of a fire that consumed the Dayton Unit salvage materials on another part of the plant (now Area 13), were progressively buried in the trench. The debris and backfill were regraded to just below the road level.

During 1955 and possibly 1956, empty drums that had contained thorium were buried in the southwest corner of OU 1. A shallow excavation was made, and about 2,500 55-gallon drums were crushed and then covered with a thin layer (about 1 to 2 ft) of soil cover. The buried drums and backfill were regraded to just below the level of the road.

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In 1959, the state of Ohio banned open burning, and Mound Plant prohibited open burning of solid and liquid waste in OU 1. Hazardous liquid waste was collected and disposed of offsite. Solid waste was

placed in east-west-trending trenches cut by a bulldozer.

In 1977 and 1978, the overflow pond and site sanitary landfill were constructed on the site of OU 1. The overflow pond was built to complement the low-flow retention basins, which were constructed in 1976 on the lower reach of the plant drainage ditch. Much of the solid waste in the historic landfill was excavated and moved to the site sanitary landfill. Generally, debris from the Dayton Unit fire in the first trench and empty, crushed drums that had contained thorium in the second trench were not excavated and remained under the landfill. The volume excavated was limited by the volume required for the pond construction.

The pond was built with a natural clay-bearing compacted glacial till liner and earthen dikes. It has a 5,000,000-gallon capacity. Effluent in the overflow pond is discharged through a standpipe in the northwest corner of the pond to the stilling basin below the low-flow retention basins. It then goes to the Miami-Erie Canal and to the Great Miami River through NPDES Outfall 002 at a rate of approximately 660,000 gallons per day.

The site sanitary landfill was constructed with a 4- to 5-ft-thick clay liner consisting of onsite materials and a cap of 3 ft of clay with 2 to 5 ft of low-permeability topsoil. The clay liner was compacted to ensure a proper seal and integrity over time. A leachate collection system was constructed using collection drains at the top of the lower clay liner of the landfill. The drains located in the landfill allow any landfill liquids to move into the adjacent overflow pond. Five french drains were installed 2 to 25 ft below the landfill liner, partially in a fine gravel/sand layer and partially in a silty clay layer. These french drains drain moisture from under the site sanitary landfill to ensure soil slope stability.

A thin (< 2-ft-thick) layer of burned trash on the west side was excavated directly beneath the landfill site. Approximately 100,000 cubic yards of trash was moved from the overflow pond site to the landfill. According to personal accounts, some of the trash was saturated during excavation and the liquid flowed from the drain pipe into the pond for 6 months afterward. No known samples of this leachate were collected. No known drainage has occurred since the initial 6-month period. The height of the landfill was surveyed and checked for settling a year or two after construction. Although no known written report exists, a verbal report suggests little or no settling occurred.

Currently (1995), OU 1 remains much as it did in 1978 after the overflow pond and site sanitary landfill were constructed. The road along the north and west boundary has been paved and, in the 1980s, a bridge was built over the overflow channel from the plant drainage ditch to the overflow pond.

Numerous monitoring wells have been installed around OU 1 as part of area environmental investigations.

## 5.2. Geologic Setting

OU 1 is partially located on a buried bedrock shelf that drops off to the west, north, and south. The surface of the bedrock is a preglacial erosional surface that is weathered, but grades rapidly into competent material. The bedrock section subjacent to OU 1 is dominated shale with a significant limestone-bearing portion truncated by erosion immediately beneath the site sanitary landfill. The next nearest (vertically) significant limestone portion is approximately 30 ft lower in the section and does not intersect the bedrock interface until some distance to the west of OU 1, at or beyond the plant boundary. The opportunity for contaminant transport from OU 1 through limestone layers does not exist.

The bedrock is overlain by glacial outwash materials, glacial till, and artificial fill. The outwash materials that contain the BVA thin eastward against the Buried Valley margin, which is beneath the western edge of OU 1 adjacent to the waste disposal areas (site sanitary and historic landfills). Only the western portion of the site sanitary landfill overlies the BVA. The eastern portion overlies the bedrock shelf. To the north, these outwash materials extend up the Plant Valley. The portion of the BVA immediately adjacent to OU 1 (to the west) varies from 0 to 40 ft thick and is relatively free of fine-grained till layers within the outwash. Typical transmissivities are high (between 30,000 and 50,000 ft<sup>2</sup>/day).

## 5.3. Hydrologic Setting

Groundwater occurs primarily in the outwash sediments of the BVA or in its extension up the Plant Valley. Within the valley, gradients are steep and are governed by topography and the thickness of the unconsolidated zone; flow is west-southwest along the valley axis. In the main part of the BVA, to the west of OU 1, gradients are nearly flat; flow is generally south, governed by the interrelationships among recharge, river stage, and the pumping of the Mound Plant production wells. In the immediate vicinity of OU 1, flow is governed by the plant production wells and is southward toward the pumping well, Well 0076 (Figure 4). Well 0076 is the primary plant production well.

The waste materials and contaminated soils within OU 1 are partially isolated from the hydrologic environment. Much of the surface is engineered to provide rapid runoff. The materials immediately below the waste disposal area are dominantly fine-grained, which may inhibit the downward movement of water and contaminants. The water table is at or below the bedrock interface in this area, so the



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unconsolidated materials are also in the vadose zone. However, during periods of high seasonal groundwater, some waste materials or contaminated soil are exposed to circulating waters.

#### 5.4. Contaminant Occurrence

Contaminated media at OU 1 include both soils and waste materials within the site and the groundwater system beneath and adjacent to the site. Chemicals of potential concern (COPC) from the Baseline Risk Assessment are identified in Table 1.

##### 5.4.1. Soils

The only discernible pattern for all the compounds detected during the surface and subsurface soil sampling appears directly related to activities in and around the site sanitary landfill. A single major source of the contaminants has not been detected and is not believed to exist. Rather, it is believed that a random pattern of dispersed contamination is the source of the compounds. While not exceeding established regulation limits, tetrachloromethane is present at risk-based levels of concern (see section 6.3)

##### 5.4.2. Groundwater

The recent groundwater sampling data (June 1992 through March 1993) identified five VOCs at levels above proposed or established regulatory limits (40 CFR 141 ) in the groundwater beneath OU 1. These VOCs are vinyl chloride (chloroethene), trichloromethane (chloroform), 1,2-cis-dichloroethene (DCE), TCE, and tetrachloroethene (PCE). Only one VOC, 1,1,1-trichloroethane (TCA), shows concentrations offsite; the pattern of occurrence suggests a source outside OU 1. The general area impacted by VOCs is indicated in Figure 4. Two metals (chromium and nickel) were detected above primary drinking water standards from December 1991 to March 1993. No consistent trend exists for concentrations of metals in the area.

#### 6. SUMMARY OF SITE RISKS

Based on analytical data collected during the RI, a Baseline Risk Assessment was performed using site-related contaminants. The Baseline Risk Assessment assumes no corrective action will take place and that no site use restrictions or institutional controls, such as fencing, groundwater use restrictions, or construction restrictions, will be imposed. The risk assessment determines actual or potential carcinogenic risks and/or toxic effects that the contaminants at the site pose under current and future land use assumptions. Therefore, the assessment serves as a baseline case that can be used to

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Table 1. Summary of COPCs

Groundwater

The organic COPCs for groundwater are:

- 1,1,1 -TCA	20/æg/L
- 1,2-cis-DCE	640 (J)
- bis-(2-ethylhexyl)phthalate	0.23 (J)
- chlordane (alpha)	0.061
- diethyl phthalate	10 (J)
- pyrene	10 (J)
- PCE	290 (J)
- tetrachloromethane	5.1
- TCE	160
- trichloromethane	130(J)
- trichlorofluoromethane	12
- vinyl chloride	17

The radioactive COPCs (that exceeded background levels) are:

- actinium-227	2.27 pCi/L
- plutonium-238	0.057
- plutonium-239/240	0.263
- strontium-90	0.766
- tritium	13,500
- uranium-235 and -236	0.188
- uranium 238	1.46

The following radionuclides were retained as groundwater COPCs because they are daughter products of the radionuclides that were found to exceed background levels:

- radium-226	2.61 pCi/L
- thorium-228	0.97 (J)
- thorium-230	3.86
- thorium-232	0.588 (J)
- uranium-234	0.782

#### Soil

The organic COPCs for soils are:

- 1,2,3,4,6,7,8-HpCDF	214 pg/g
- 1,2,3,4,6,7,8-HpCDD	259
- 1,2,3,4,7,8,9-HpCDF	41.4
- 1,2,3,4,7,8-HxCDD	8.5
- 1,2,3,4,7,8-HxCDF	209
- 1,2,3,5,7,8-HxCDF	63.2
- 1,2,3,6,7,8-HxCDD	28.3
- 1,2,3,7,8,9-HxCDD	39.7
- 1,2,3,7,8-PeCDF	43.2
- 2,3,4,6,7,8-HxCDF	64.1
- 2,3,4,7,8-PeCDF	150
- 2,3,7,8-TCDD	22.5
- 2,3,7,8-TCDF	132

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#### Soil (Continued)

- OCDD	2110
- OCDF	163
- 1,2-DCE	6,700/æg/kg
- 4-methyphenol	290
- aroclor-1248	220,000
- benzo(a)anthracene	3,400
- benzo pyrene	2,500
- benzo(k)fluoranthene	4,000
- benzo(k)fluoranthene	4,000
- benzoic acid	1,700
- bis(2-ethylhexyl)phthalate	5,600
- vinyl chloride	190
- chrysene	2,600
- dichloromethane	81
- fluoranthene	8,300
- indeno(1,2,3-cd)pyrene	1,200
- phenol	120 (J)

- pyrene	7,200 (J)
- PCE	24,000
- toluene	7,100
- TCE	970 (J)

inorganic COPCs consist of:

- fluoride	12.6 mg/kg
- nitrate	16.87
- silver	6.3

The radioactive COPCs (that exceeded background levels) are:

- plutonium-238	17.8 pCi/g
- plutonium-239/240	1.2
- strontium-90	5.78
- tritium	40.3

The following radionuclides were retained as soil COPCs because they are daughter products of the radionuclides that were found to exceed background levels:

- thorium-228	1.3 pCi/G
- thorium-232	1.04
- uranium-235/236	6.091 (J)

COPC - contaminants of potential concern

DCE - dichloroethene

(J) - estimated quantity

mg/kg - milligram per kilogram

µg/kg - microgram per kilogram

PCE - tetrachloroethene

risk

pCi/g - picocuries per gram

pCi/L - picocuries per liter

pg/g - picogram per gram

TCA - trichloroethane

TCE - trichloroethene

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compare the relative effectiveness of alternative remedial strategies in reducing public health risks.

This Baseline Risk Assessment focuses on exposure of hypothetical future workers or residents to soil and groundwater contamination.

The Baseline Risk Assessment estimates risk associated with potential pathways identified by the conceptual site model presented in Figure 5. It also identifies pathways that exceed acceptable risk, so that the remediation process is focused on pathways that present a threat to human health and the environment.

### 6.1. Contaminant Identification

The levels of contamination found in the different media at the Site are reported in the RIR. Identification of contaminants of potential concern (COPCs) is presented in Section 5 of the RIR. The COPCs were listed in Table 1. As discussed in section 6.4 below, the list of COPCs was reduced to only those contaminants that contribute significantly to the risk. These are highlighted in Table 1.

### 6.2. Exposure Assessment

The objective of the exposure assessment is to estimate the type and magnitude of exposures to COPCs that are present at or migrating from Area B. The exposure pathway is the mechanism by which an individual or population is exposed to chemicals at or originating from a site. Each exposure pathway requires a source or release from a source, an exposure point, and an exposure route.

#### 6.2.1. Exposure Setting

The exposure setting, which includes Area B climate, vegetation, groundwater hydrology, and other characteristics, is described in detail in the RIR. The nearest populations are less than 750 ft west of OU 1, within the city of Miamisburg. The 1990 census gives the population of Miamisburg as 17,834, Dayton as 182,044, and Montgomery County as 573,809. Miamisburg is predominately a residential community, with some supportive commercial facilities and limited industrial and agricultural development.

Most of the residential, commercial, and industrial development within a 5-mile radius of the site is concentrated on the Great Miami River floodplain. The adjacent upland areas are used primarily for residences and agriculture or are unused open spaces. Agricultural land within a 5-mile radius of the site is primarily used for corn and soybean production and livestock grazing.

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The major water body in the vicinity of OU 1 is the Great Miami River. It is approximately 150 to 200 ft wide in this area. The river is used for pleasure boating and sport fishing, primarily during the summer. Swimming is not permitted in the river.

#### 6.2.2. Characterization of Exposure Pathways

OU 1 is located within a government-owned and restricted facility. Unrestricted access and development of the site is possible only if DOE releases the property. No one presently lives on or otherwise uses the property; current workers do not work on a continual basis within Area B.

Three OU 1 production wells supply or have supplied water to the Mound Plant. One well, production well 0071, is no longer in use because volatile organic contaminants were detected at concentrations exceeding USEPA maximum contaminant levels (MCLs) and Ohio drinking water standards. The other two wells, production wells 0076 and 0271, are still in use and have organic concentrations below EPA MCLs and Ohio drinking water standards. Since Mound Plant is taking water from OU 1 that meets acceptable drinking water standards, a current worker scenario was not considered for the Baseline Risk Assessment.

The Baseline Risk Assessment involves 1) the determination of contaminant concentrations at exposure points for a future resident farmer scenario and future indoor and outdoor industrial park worker scenarios, and 2) the estimation of contaminant intake through potential exposure pathways.

Two types of exposures were evaluated for the future farmer resident scenario. These exposure types are denoted as the reasonable maximum exposure (RME) and the central tendency exposure (CTE). The RME is defined as a "reasonable worst case" that is conservatively high, yet still has a reasonable likelihood of occurring. Key features of an RME are that one would expect at least 90 percent of actual exposures to be lower and that it could occur. The CTE, on the other hand, is an "average case." Fifty percent of actual exposures are expected to be lower or higher than the CTE. High exposures will typically fall between the CTE and the RME.

The exposure scenario for the future farmer resident includes all potential pathways identified in the site conceptual model that could lead to quantifiable exposure. The farmer is assumed to be exposed through the following routes:

- Ingestion of groundwater.
- Incidental ingestion of and dermal contact with surface water while swimming.

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- Dermal contact and inhalation of VOCs while showering with groundwater.
  - Inhalation of resuspended dust while plowing/cultivating crops and garden produce under usual dust resuspension conditions.
  - Incidental ingestion of soil.
  - External exposure to radiation emitted from radionuclides in soil.
  - Dermal contact with chemicals in soil.
  - Ingestion of homegrown produce grown in contaminated soil.

- Ingestion of livestock that have ingested contaminated soil and contaminated plants.

It is assumed that the future onsite industrial park worker will work within the Area B location for 25 years (RME). For the CTE, it is assumed that the worker will be employed on the site for 9 years (assumed equal to residential). As with the future farmer resident, the source of water for the industrial park comes from contaminated onsite wells that workers use for showering at the end of the workday.

In the future indoor industrial worker scenario, it is assumed that the worker performs job duties within a structure or building for 8 hours a day, 250 days a year. The indoor worker is assumed to be exposed through the following routes:

- Ingestion of groundwater.
- Inhalation of indoor vapors.
- Inhalation of indoor particulates.
- Inhalation of VOCs while showering with groundwater.
- Dermal contact with contaminants while showering with groundwater.

For the future outdoor industrial worker scenario, the following exposure routes were evaluated:

- Ingestion of groundwater.
- Inhalation of outdoor particulates and vapors.
- Ingestion of soil.
- Dermal contact with chemicals in soil.
- Inhalation of VOCs while showering with groundwater.
- Dermal contact with chemicals while showering with groundwater.

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### 6.3. Toxicity Assessment

The purposes of the toxicity assessment are to weigh available evidence regarding the potential for particular contaminants to cause adverse effects in exposed individuals and to provide an estimate of the relationship between the extent of exposure to a contaminant and the increased likelihood and/or severity of adverse effects. This includes the preparation of fate and toxicity profiles for each of the

chemicals and identification of human health criteria. The sources of toxicity data include the Integrated Risk Information System (IRIS), the Health Effects Assessment Summary Tables (HEAST), the USEPA Environmental Criteria and Assessment Office (ECAO), and USEPA Region III.

#### 6.3.1. Toxicity for Noncarcinogenic Effects

The USEPA Office of Research and Development has calculated acceptable intake values, denoted as reference doses (RfDs) or reference concentrations (RfCs), for long-term (chronic) exposure to noncarcinogens. The most recent oral RfDs and inhalation RfCs of the COCs and the associated sources are summarized in Table 2.

#### 6.3.2. Toxicity for Carcinogenic Effects

For chemical carcinogens, the EPA Office of Research and Development has calculated estimates of the carcinogenic potential. These estimates, or slope factors, correlate intake of a carcinogen with an increased risk of cancer. The most recent oral and inhalation slope factors from IRIS, HEAST, USEPA, and ECAO, along with evidence and slope factor sources for COCs, are summarized in Table 3.

The USEPA currently classifies all radionuclides as Group A, known human carcinogens. The ingestion, inhalation, and ground exposure slope factors for the various radionuclides of concern at Mound Plant are summarized in Table 4.

#### 6.4. Risk Characterization

In this section, toxicity and exposure assessment are summarized and integrated into quantitative expressions of risk. Both noncarcinogenic and carcinogenic effects are evaluated.

##### 6.4.1. Carcinogenic Risk Characterization - Future Resident Farmer Scenario

For potential carcinogenic risks, the probability that an individual will develop cancer over a lifetime of exposure is estimated from daily intakes and dose response information (carcinogen potency

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Table 2. Toxicity Values - Potential Noncarcinogenic Effects

Chronic Ingestion RfD		Chronic Inhalation Rf		RfC
Chemical	(mg/kg/day)	(mg/m3)	RfD Source	
Source				
Organic Chemicals				
1,2-cis-Dichloroethene ....		--		
--	1.0E-02		HEAST	
1,2-Dichloroethane		1.0E-02		
ECAO	--		--	
2,3,7,8-TCDD (Dioxins) .....		--		
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Archior-1248 (PCB) .....		--	
--	--		--
Benzo(a)pyrene .....		--	
--	--		--
Chlordane (alpha) ....		--	
--	6.0E-05		IRIS
Tetrachloroethene (PCE) ....		--	
--	1.0E-02		IRIS
Tetrachloromethane		2.0E-03	
ECAO	7.0E-04		IRIS
Trichloroethene ....		--	
--	6.0E-03		ECAO
Trichlormethane ....		--	
--	1.0E-02		IRIS
Vinyl chloride .....		--	
--	--		--

ECAO - USEPA Environmental Criteria and Assessment Office  
 IRIS - Integrated Risk Information System  
 HEAST - Health Effects Assessment Summary Tables  
 mg/kg/day - milligrams per kilogram per day  
 mg/m3 - milligrams per cubic meter  
 RfC - reference concentration  
 RfD - reference dose

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Table 3. Toxicity Values - Potential Carcinogenic Effects

Chemical	USEPA Weight of	Inhalation Slope Factor
Inhalation Slope	Ingestion Slope Factor	Ingestion Slope
Factor Source	Evidence	Factor Source
Organic Chemicals	(1/mg/kg/day)	(1/æg/m3)
1,2-cis-Dichloroethene	D	--
--		--
1,2,Dichloroethene	B2	2.6E-05
IRIS	9.1E-02	IRIS
2,3,7,8-TCDD (Dioxins)	B2	3.3E-11
HEAST	1.5E +05	HEAST
Aroclor-1248 (PCB)	B2	--
--	7.7E +00	IRIS
Benzo(a)pyrene	B2	1.7E-03
HEAST	7.3E +00	IRIS
Chlordane (alpha)	B2	3.7E-04
IRIS	1.3E +00	IRIS
Tetrachloroethene (PCE)	NA	5.8E-07
ECAO	5.2E-02	ECAO
Tetrachloromethane	B2	1.5E-05
IRIS	1.3E-01	IRIS
Trichloroethene	NA	1.7E-06
ECAO	1.1E-02	ECAO
Trichloromethane	B2	2.3E-05
IRIS	6.1E-03	IRIS
Vinyl chloride	A	8.4E-05

HEAST

1.9E +00

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aKey:

- A = Known human carcinogen
- B1 = Probable human carcinogen, limited human data
- B2 = Probable human carcinogen, inadequate or no human data
- C = Possible human carcinogen
- D = Not classifiable as human carcinogen
- E = Evidence that not carcinogenic in humans

ECAO - USEPA Environmental Criteria and Assessment Office

HEAST - Health Effects Assessment Summary Tables

IRIS - Integrated Risk Information System

pg/m3 - micrograms per cubic meter

mg/kg/day - milligrams per kilogram per day

NA - Weight of evidence information not available

USEPA - U.S. Environmental Protection Agency

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Table 4. Slope Factors for Radionuclides of Concern at Mound Plant

Ground Surface Radionuclides (Risk/year per pCi/g)	Ingestion		
	(Risk/pCi)	Inhalation (Risk/pCi)	
Actinium-227 + D 8.5E-07	3.5E-10	8.8E-08	
Plutonium-238 2.8E-11	2.2E-10	3.9E-08	
Plutonium-239 1.7E-11	2.3E-10	3.8E-08	
Plutonium-240 2.7E-11	2.3E-10	3.8E-08	
Radium-226 + D 6.0E-06	1.2E-10	3.0E-09	
Strontium-90 + D + 00	3.6E-11	6.2E-11	0.0E
Tritium + 00	5.4E-14	7.8E-14	0.0E

aAll radionuclides have an A (known human carcinogen) weight of evidence classification.

D - daughter

pCi - picocuries

pCi/g - picocuries per gram

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factors). Carcinogenic risk depends on three factors: the dose, the carcinogenic potency of the chemical or radionuclide, and the exposure duration. To calculate carcinogenic risk, the products of the individual chemical exposures and carcinogenic slope factors were summed to provide the estimated risk to the future resident.

Future resident farmer RME carcinogenic risks to the child and adult from all chemicals, radionuclides, and pathways are 2 excess cancers per 10,000 persons exposed and 5 excess cancers per 10,000 persons exposed, respectively. The overall CTE carcinogenic risks to the child and adult are 4 excess cancers per 100,000 persons exposed and 1 excess cancer per 10,000 persons exposed, respectively.

For the future resident farmer scenario, the ingestion and inhalation pathways contribute more than 80 percent of the carcinogenic risk. The remainder of the carcinogenic risk is attributable to dermal contact. The overall carcinogenic risk due to external radiation exposure is less than  $1 \times 10^{-7}$ .

The overall carcinogenic risks posed by groundwater are  $6 \times 10^{-4}$  and  $1 \times 10^{-4}$  for the RME and CTE, respectively. The overall risks (RME and CTE) Posed by soil COPCs are more than one order of magnitude less than those for groundwater.

#### 6.4.2. Carcinogenic Risk Characterization - Future indoor Industrial Park Worker Scenario

For the future onsite indoor worker, the overall RME and CTE risks were found to be  $2 \times 10^{-4}$  and  $5 \times 10^{-5}$ , respectively (does not include daughter product radionuclides). PCE had the highest RME risk of  $8 \times 10^{-5}$ . Groundwater COPCs contribute virtually all of the carcinogenic risk (greater than 99 percent). The soil RME and CTE risk levels are less than the lowerbound value of the USEPA target risk range.

#### 6.4.3. Carcinogenic Risk Characterization - Future Outdoor Industrial Park Worker Scenario

For the future onsite outdoor worker, the overall RME and CTE risks were found to be  $1 \times 10^{-4}$  and  $2 \times 10^{-5}$ , respectively (does not include daughter product radionuclides). The ingestion and dermal contact pathways contribute approximately 83 percent of the carcinogenic risk. PCE had the highest RME risk of  $7 \times 10^{-5}$ . Groundwater COPCs contribute the majority (approximately 95 percent) of the overall RME and CTE carcinogenic risks.

#### 6.4.4. Noncarcinogenic Risk Characterization - Future Resident Farmer Scenario

Noncarcinogenic risk was evaluated by calculating the hazard quotient (HQ), which is the ratio of the

estimated daily exposure of each contaminant, to the applicable chronic RfC or RfD for that contaminant. The HQs were then summed to derive a hazard index (HI) for each exposure route and for all exposures combined. All RME and CTE noncarcinogenic HQs and HIs from all pathways are presented in the RIR.

An HI of greater than 1.0 at any time during an individual's lifetime indicates that there may be a potential for noncarcinogenic effects. The overall RME HIs for the child and adult in the future farmer scenario are 21 and 18, respectively. For the future farmer CTE, the overall HIs are 12 for the child and 11 for the adult.

For the future farmer scenario, the inhalation pathway contributes to approximately 80 percent of the overall noncarcinogenic risk. Tetrachloromethane, TCE, and PCE were the only COPCs with overall RME HIs exceeding unity. These COPCs contributed to approximately 90 percent of the overall noncarcinogenic risk. Tetrachloromethane had the highest overall RME and CTE HI of 31 and 20, respectively.

Groundwater COPCs contribute virtually all of the noncarcinogenic risk (greater than 99 percent). The soil RME and CTE HIs are two orders of magnitude less than unity.

#### 6.4.5. Noncarcinogenic Risk Characterization - Future Indoor Industrial Par Worker Scenario

For the future indoor industrial park worker scenario, the overall RME and CTE HIs were 17 and 11, respectively. The inhalation pathway contributes approximately 96 percent of the overall noncarcinogenic risk. Tetrachloromethane had the highest RME and CTE HIs of approximately 15 and 10, respectively.

Tetrachloromethane was the only COPC with RME and CTE HIs that exceeded unity. The overall RME and CTE HIs, with the exception of tetrachloromethane, were found to be below unity. The groundwater COPC HIs contributed almost 100 percent of the noncarcinogenic risk. The soil COPC HIs were approximately 10 orders of magnitude less than unity.

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#### 6.4.6. Noncarcinogenic Risk Characterization - Future Outdoor industrial Park Worker Scenario

For the future outdoor industrial park worker scenario, the overall RME and CTE HIs were 15 and 9, respectively. The inhalation pathway contributes approximately 95 percent of the overall noncarcinogenic risk. Tetrachloromethane had the highest RME and CTE HIs of approximately 14 and 9, respectively.

Tetrachloromethane was the only COPC with RME and CTE HIs that exceeded unity. The overall RME and CTE HIs, with the exception of tetrachloromethane, were found to be below unity.

The groundwater COPC HIs contributed almost 100 percent of the noncarcinogenic risk. The soil COPC HIs were approximately three to four orders of magnitude less than unity.

#### 6.4.7. Risk Characterization

Tables 5 and 6 present the range of potential carcinogenic and noncarcinogenic risks associated with Area B, respectively. The lowerbound values represent CTE values, while the upperbound values represent RME values. These ranges indicate the uncertainties associated with Area B risks and provide information on the sensitivity of each exposure scenario to the values of its numerical parameters.

## 6.5. Summary

The risk assessment performed for OU 1, Area B, has provided estimates of potential relative risk for the future farmer resident and for future worker exposure to groundwater and soils. The scenarios that were developed are conservative and hypothetical; relative risks determined for these can be interpreted more accurately by considering the assumptions in the calculations.

For the future farmer resident, the total RME carcinogenic risks to the child and adult from all chemicals, radionuclides, and pathways are 2 and 5 excess cancers in 10,000 persons exposed, respectively. The combined overall RME adult and child risk may be of potential concern because it lies outside the upperbound value of the EPA target carcinogenic risk range of  $1 \times 10^{-6}$  to  $1 \times 10^{-4}$ . The majority of the carcinogenic risk comes from PCE and trichloromethane.

Radium-226 and thorium-228 were the only daughter product radionuclides with RME carcinogenic risks that exceed  $1 \times 10^{-6}$  for the future farmer resident. The RME carcinogenic risk for thorium-228 was found to be  $1 \times 10^{-4}$  in soil, which is higher than the risks for all other chemicals and radionuclides

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Table 5. Carcinogenic Risk Characterization Summary Table

Carcinogenic Risk Range (Lowerbound Value = CTE, Upperbound Value = RME)		
Future Outdoor Industrial Park Chemical Worker	Future Farmer	
	Resident (Adult + Child)	Future Indoor Industrial Park Worker
Organic Chemicals		
1,2-Dichloroethane	8E-07 - 3E-06	3E-07 - 2E-06
7E-08 - 4E-07		
2,3,7,8-TCDD (Dioxins)	2E-06 - 8E-06	4E-22 - 2E-21
3E-07 - 2E-06		
Aroclor-1248 (PCB)	7E-07 - 5E-06	.....
9E-08 - 8E-07		
Benzo(a)pyrene	2E-06 - 1E-05	3E-10 - 1E-09
2E-07 - 2E-06		
Chlordane (alpha)	3E-06 - 2E-05	9E-07 - 4E-06
4E-07 - 2E-06		

Tetrachloroethene	6E-05 - 3E-04	2E-05 - 8E-05
1E-05 - 7E-05		
Tetrachloromethane	5E-06 - 2E-05	2E-06 - 8E-06
6E-07 - 3E-06		
Trichloroethene	9E-06 - 4E-05	4E-06 - 2E-05
1E-06 - 5E-0		
Trichloromethane	4E-05 - 1E-04	2E-05 - 7E-05
2E-06 - 1E-05		
Vinyl chloride	2E-05 - 8E-05	6E-06 - 3E-05
2E-06 - 1E-05		

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Actinium-227	3E-06 - 2E-05	9E-07 - 5E-06
9E-07 - 5E-06		
Plutonium-238	2E-06 - 7E-06	5E-07 - 2E-06
5E-07 - 2E-06		
Plutonium-239/240	2E-06 - 1E-05	7E-07 - 4E-06
7E-07 - 4E-06		
Strontium-90	2E-06 - 1E-05	4E-08 - 2E-07
4E-08 - 2E-07		
Tritium	2E-06 - 1E-05	5E-07 - 3E-06
5E-07 - 3E-06		

CTE - central tendency exposure  
RME - reasonable maximum exposure  
TCDD - tetrachlorodibenzo-p-dioxin

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Table 6. Noncarcinogenic Risk Characterization Summary Table

Noncarcinogenic Hazard Index Range (Lowerbound Value = CTE,  
Upperbound Value = RME)

	Future Farmer Resident (Adult + Child)	Future Indoor Industrial Park Worker
Future Outdoor Industrial Park Worker		
Chemical		
Organic Chemicals		
1,2-cis-Dichloroethene	5.3E-01 - 1.1E+00	5.5E-02 - 1.0E-01
5.5E-02 - 1.0E-01		
1,2-Dichloroethane	5.2E-01 - 8.2E-01	2.6E-01 - 4.1E-01
2.2E-01 - 3.7E-01		
Chlordane (alpha)	2.3E-01 - 1.4E+00	3.7E-02 - 5.7E-02
3.7E-02 - 5.7E-02		
Tetrachloroethene	1.4E+00 - 3.0E+00	2.1E-01 - 3.5E-01
2.1E.01 - 3.5E-01		
Tetrachloromethane	2.0E+01 - 3.1E+01	9.9E+00 - 1.5E+01

8.6E+00 - 1.4E+01		
Trichloroethene	5.6E-01 - 1.1E+00	6.8E-02 - 1.2E-01
6.8E-02 - 1.2E-01		
Trichloromethane	1.2E-01 - 2.4E-01	1.3E-02 - 2.5E-02
1.3E-02 - 2.5E-02		

CTE - central tendency exposure  
RME - reasonable maximum exposure

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detected in soil. However, thorium-228 was detected at concentration levels equivalent to background.

HI values that exceed unity indicate that the chemical may cause adverse health effects to exposed individuals. As a rule, the greater a chemical HI exceeds unity, the greater the level of potential concern. For the future onsite resident scenario, tetrachloromethane and PCE pose the most significant noncarcinogenic risks, with overall RME HIs 3 to 31 times greater than unity. Since the sum of COPC RME and CTE HIs are 24 to 39 times greater than unity, exposure to all COPCs could produce adverse health effects for the potential future residential farmer.

For the future indoor industrial park worker, the overall probability of cancer occurrence was 2 excess cancers in 10,000 persons exposed (RME) and 5 excess cancers in 100,000 persons exposed (CTE). PCE, chlordane (alpha), 1,2-dichloroethane, tetrachloromethane, trichloromethane, vinyl chloride, TCE, actinium-227, plutonium-238, plutonium-239/240, and tritium had RME risk levels exceeding  $1 \times 10^{-6}$ . The majority of carcinogenic risk contribution is from PCE and trichloromethane. The overall indoor worker RME risk may be of potential concern because it exceeds the USEPA target risk range of  $1 \times 10^{-6}$  to  $1 \times 10^{-4}$ .

For the future outdoor industrial park worker, the overall probability of cancer occurrence was 1 excess cancer in 10,000 persons exposed (RME) and 2 excess cancers in 100,000 persons exposed (CTE). PCE contributes more than half of the carcinogenic risk. The overall outdoor worker RME risk may be of potential concern because it lies at the upperbound limit of the USEPA target risk range.

Thorium-228 was the only daughter product radionuclide with RME and CTE carcinogenic risks that exceeded  $1 \times 10^{-6}$  for both the future indoor and outdoor workers. The future indoor and outdoor worker RME carcinogenic risks for thorium-228 were both found to be  $2 \times 10^{-5}$  in soil; these risk levels are significantly higher than the risks for all other chemicals and radionuclides detected in soil. However, thorium-228 was detected at concentration levels equivalent to background.

Tetrachloromethane is the only COPC that had RME and CTE HIs exceeding unity for both the future indoor and outdoor industrial park worker scenarios. Without tetrachloromethane, the overall RME and CTE HIs are approximately equal to or less than unity for the future indoor and outdoor workers.

The risks to future indoor and outdoor workers are based on chemical and radionuclide concentrations in groundwater and soil within and directly adjacent to the sanitary landfill in Area B. The future worker scenarios assume that exposures take place within Area B and that the drinking and domestic water supply is exclusively from Area B.

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The contaminants of concern (COCs) that are the focus of remedial action efforts are defined as COPCs with either risks that exceed the minimum acceptable levels or risks that provide a significant contribution to the overall risk in any one of the exposure scenarios. A COPC provides a significant contribution to the overall risk if its hazard index exceeds 0.1 or its carcinogenic risk exceeds  $1 \times 10^{-6}$ . Based on these criteria, the COCs delineated by the OU 1, Area B, risk assessment for the resident scenario are the following:

- For groundwater:
  - 1,2-Dichloroethane.
  - 1,2-cis-DCE.
  - Benzo(b)fluoranthene.
  - Chlordane (alpha).
  - PCE.
  - Tetrachloromethane.
  - TCE.
  - Trichloromethane.
  - Vinyl chloride.
  - Actinium-227.
  - Plutonium-238.
  - Plutonium-239/240.
  - Radium-226.
  - Tritium.
- For soil:
  - 2,3,7,8-tetrachlorodibenzo-p-dioxin (TCDD) (dioxins).
  - Aroclor-1248 polychlorinated biphenyl (PCB).
  - Benzo(a)pyrene.
  - Plutonium-238.
  - Strontium-90.

## 6.6. Additional Considerations

### 6.6.1. Ecological Risk



An evaluation of the potential ecological impacts of OU 1 was not conducted. The ecological risk assessment will be performed on a site-wide basis during the OU 9 Site-Wide RI. The Mound Plant ecological risk assessment will be performed in conjunction with the site-wide ecological assessment. The site-wide ecological risk assessment will be based on data collected as part of the OU 9 RI, along with the information obtained from the site-wide ecological assessment and other studies that have evaluated ecological conditions around the Mound Plant facility. The issue of ecological impacts will be addressed in the final determination for the site as a whole.

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#### 6.6.2. Immediate Points of Exposure

The most immediate point of exposure for contaminants originating in OU 1 also lies within the confines of OU 1 -the system of plant production wells. Production well was taken offline due to increasing levels of VOCs in the discharge water. Production well 3 is now the primary source of process and potable water for the plant. Production well 2 is pumped as required to provide a supplemental source of plant water,

#### 6.7. Risk Assessment for the Selected Industrial Future Use Scenario

The preceding sections discussed the Baseline Risk Assessment-that is, a measure of the risks posed by the site if no remediation took place. To select a remedy, a realistic future use scenario was determined to help define cleanup goals. It has been agreed among the USEPA, OEPA, and DOE that the appropriate land use for OU 1 is industrial. Offsite, the appropriate land use remains residential. Thus, the context for onsite soil remediation is that of an industrial park, with no onsite groundwater use or standards. By the same token, the offsite contamination (limited to the groundwater pathway) must be protected to residential use standards. The point of compliance is established outside the roadways that bound the former waste disposal areas to the south and west. The assessment of risk expected under this future use scenario is discussed below.

The risk assessment for OU 1 addressed future public health risks, defining the performance requirements that remedial actions would meet. The conceptual pathway model is shown in Figure 5. This risk assessment focused on the exposure of hypothetical future site workers to soil contamination through inhalation, incidental ingestion, external exposure to radiation emitted from radionuclides in soil, or dermal contact with the soil by an onsite industrial worker.

The results of the risk assessment of the future outdoor worker show that two of the COPCs were found to have RME lifetime excess cancer-risks above  $1 \times 10^{-6}$ . 2,3,7,8-TCDD and benzo(a)pyrene

each had an estimated excess cancer risk of  $2 \times 10^{-6}$ . The combined carcinogenic risk is  $4 \times 10^{-6}$ . Because the NCP specifies a target cancer risk range of  $1 \times 10^{-4}$  to  $1 \times 10^{-6}$ , and because this risk is already near the lower end of this range, the soil pathway does not need further consideration. For noncarcinogens, the HI was less than one for soil, indicating that noncarcinogenic health effects are not of concern.

The risk assessment also evaluated risks associated with future potential offsite residential use of groundwater. The risks could result from direct exposure to contaminants by groundwater ingestion, ingestion of groundwater-irrigated produce, and dermal contact and if inhalation of VOCs while showering with groundwater. The analysis dealt with all the COCs. Results of the analysis are shown in Table 7.

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Table 7. Summary of Risk for OU 1 (Soil and Groundwater) and Contaminants with Greatest Risk Contribution

Risk	Overall Risk COC Effect		Percent of Exposure Due to	Percent of
			Ingestion and Inhalation	via Pathways
Groundwater	COC with			
Greatest Effect	RME	CTE		
RME	CTE			
Carcinogenic Risk				
Resident Farmer or Tetrachloroethene Resident (Adult + Child)	2 x 10 <sup>-4</sup> (Adult + Child)	6 x 10 <sup>-5</sup>	83	96
Adult Trichloromethane (Adult + Child)	5 x 10 <sup>-4</sup> 1 x 10 <sup>-4</sup> (Adult + Child)	1 x 10 <sup>-4</sup> 4 x 10 <sup>-5</sup>		
Child Industrial Worker Tetrachloroethene (Indoor)	1 x 10 <sup>-4</sup> 2 x 10 <sup>-4</sup> 8 x 10 <sup>-5</sup>	3 x 10 <sup>-5</sup> 5 x 10 <sup>-5</sup> 2 x 10 <sup>-5</sup>	80	100
Trichloromethane Industrial Worker Tetrachloroethene (Outdoor)	7 x 10 <sup>-5</sup> 1 x 10 <sup>-4</sup> 7 x 10 <sup>-5</sup>	2 x 10 <sup>-5</sup> 2 x 10 <sup>-5</sup> 1 x 10 <sup>-6</sup>	83 (Inhalation and Dermal)	95

# Noncarcinogenic HI

Resident Farmer or Tetrachloromethane Residentb (Adult + Child) (Adult + Child)	31	20	96	100
Adult	17	11		
Child	19	12		
Industrial Worker Tetrachloromethane (Indoor)	15	10	98	100
Industrial Worker Tetrachloromethane (Outdoor)	14	9	95	100
			(Inhalation)	

aAlthough the resident farmer scenario includes more exposure pathways than the resident these pathways collectively contribute less than 0.5%

additional risk for carcinogens.

bAdditional pathways for resident farmer collectively contribute less than 0.1% additional risk for noncarcinogens.

COC - contaminant of concern

CTE - central tendency exposure

HI - hazard index

RME - reasonable maximum exposure

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Ingestion/inhalation contribute almost all of the risk; groundwater is the host important exposure medium (90 to 100 percent of each category). PCE had the highest overall carcinogenic risk in each exposure scenario; tetrachloromethane had the highest noncarcinogenic HI 80 to 90 percent of the contribution in each category). Because groundwater would contribute most of the carcinogenic and noncarcinogenic risks, it is the focus of the remedial efforts.

## 6.8. Remedial Action Objectives

Remedial action objectives are descriptions of how the remedial actions will protect human health and the environment and achieve the remediation goals.

### 6.8.1. Soils

To protect human health, the remedial action objective will be to prevent or reduce infiltration and migration of contaminants that would result in groundwater contamination in excess of remediation goals. Additionally, soil contaminants should not lead to an aggregate excess cancer risk

greater than  
 $1 \times 10^{-5}$  or an HI greater than one for occupational exposures.

#### 6.8.2. Groundwater

To protect human health, the remedial action objective will be to prevent ingestion of water with contaminant concentrations in excess of remediation goals ( $1 \times 10^{-4}$  aggregate cancer risk for chemical risk and radiological risk combined). To protect environmental health, the objective will be to control or reduce (to remediation goals) the contaminant concentrations in the aquifer adjacent to OU 1. The preliminary remediation goals for the groundwater medium are shown in Table 8. This will prevent contaminant movement into the BVA and ensure that the BVA remains a safe drinking water source. The specific cleanup level of each contaminant is based on federal primary drinking water standards (40 CFR 141) and the limits of analytical capability to measure, as discussed in the FS. The point of compliance for groundwater is outside (south and west) of the road bounding the site sanitary landfill, as identified in 2 May 1994 correspondence (Attachment B).

### 7. DESCRIPTION OF ALTERNATIVES

The alternatives analyzed for OU 1 are discussed below. Detailed descriptions of the alternatives are provided in the OU 1 FS.

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Table 8. Preliminary Remediation Goals

Lifetime		Risk at		SDWA	Ohio Drinking	Maximum	Limit
Quantitation	Risk-base	Proposed	Proposed	MCL	Water Rule	Concentration <sup>b</sup>	
Constituent ( $\mu\text{g/L}$ )	PRG ( $\mu\text{g/L}$ )	PRG <sup>a</sup> ( $\mu\text{g/L}$ )	PRG	( $\mu\text{g/L}$ )	( $\mu\text{g/L}$ )	( $\mu\text{g/L}$ )	
Actinium-227c 2 2 x 10 <sup>-5</sup>		0.1		NL <sup>d</sup>	NL	1.6	0.2
Chlordane(alphe) 0.06 0.06	0.06	0.06 1 x 10 <sup>-6</sup>		2	NL	ND	
1,2-Dichlorosthane 0.1 1 x 10 <sup>-6</sup>		0.1		NL	NL	ND	0.3
1,2-c/s-Dichloroethene 60 HQ = 1		60		70	NL	12	1.0
Plutonium-238c 0.2 1 x 10 <sup>-6</sup>		0.2		15e	NL	0.0536	0.2
Plutortium-239/240c 0.6 3 x 10 <sup>-6</sup>		0.2		15e	NL	0.317	0.2

Tetrachloroethene	1	5	NL	2.5	0.3
5	5 x 10 <sup>-6</sup>				
Tetrachloromethane	0.2	5	5	ND	1.2
0.2	1 x 10 <sup>-6</sup>				
Trichloroethene	2	5	5	ND	1.2
2	1 x 10 <sup>-6</sup>				
Trichloromethane	0.2	100	100	14	0.5
2	1 x 10 <sup>-5</sup>				
Tritium	900	20,000	20,000	4,220	500
3,000	3 x 10 <sup>-6</sup>				
Vinyl chloride	0.02	2	2	3.6	1.0
1	5 x 10 <sup>-5</sup>				

aRisk-based PRGs concentration from residential water use scenario. When a contaminant had both carcinogenic and

noncarcinogenic risks, the lower was chosen. Risk-based PRGs were calculated as shown below. bValues listed are the maximum detected values outside of the remediation area (wells 71, 154, 155, 377, and 378).

cPicocuries per liter (pCi/L).

dThe proposed MCL for beta and photon emitters is 4 milliroentgen equivalent in man (mrem) ede/yr with a screening level of

50 pCi/L.

eMCL listed is a proposed value for adjusted gross alpha.

MCL - maximum contaminant level

NL - not listed

ND - not detected

PRG - preliminary remediation goal

SDWA - Safe Drinking Water Act

µg/L - micrograms per liter

$$\begin{aligned}
 & \text{Chemical Carcinogen Risk-based PRG } (\mu\text{g/L}) - \frac{\text{TR} \times \text{BW} \times \text{AT} \times 1000 \mu\text{g/mg}}{\text{EF} \times \text{ED} \times ([\text{VF} \times \text{IRA} \times \text{SF}_i] + [\text{IRW} \times \text{SF}_o])} \\
 & \text{Noncarcinogen Risk-based PRG } (\mu\text{g/L}) - \frac{\text{TR} \times \text{BW} \times \text{AT} \times 1000 \mu\text{g/mg}}{\text{EF} \times \text{ED} \times \left[ \frac{\text{VF} \times \text{IRA} + \text{IRW}}{[\text{RfDi} \quad \text{RfDo}]} \right]} \\
 & \text{Radionuclide Carcinogen Risk-based PRG } (\text{pCi/L}) - \frac{\text{TR}}{\text{EF} \times \text{ED} \times ([\text{VF} \times \text{IRA} \times \text{SF}_i] + [\text{IRW} \times \text{SF}_o])}
 \end{aligned}$$

Where:

TR = Target risk (1 x 10<sup>-6</sup> for carcinogens, hazard quotient of 1 for noncarcinogens)  
 BW = Body weight (age-adjusted for carcinogens - 59 kg, for noncarcinogens - 70 kg)  
 AT = averaging time (25,550 days)  
 EF = exposure frequency (350 days/year)  
 ED = exposure duration (30 years)  
 VF = volatilization factor (where applicable = 0.5)  
 IRA = inhalation rate (age-adjusted for carcinogens - 19 m<sup>3</sup>/day, for noncarcinogens - 20 m<sup>3</sup>/day)  
 IRW = ingestion rate of water (age-adjusted for carcinogens - 1.8 L/day, for noncarcinogens - 2 L/day)  
 SF<sub>i</sub> = inhalation slope factor (chemicals - kg-day/mg, radionuclides 1/pCi)  
 SF<sub>o</sub> = oral slope factor (chemicals - kg-day/mg, radionuclides 1/pCi)  
 RfDi = inhalation reference dose (kg-day/mg)

RfDo = oral reference dose (kg-day/mg)

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### 7.1. Common Elements

All alternatives now being considered for the site will include several common components. Each alternative includes surface controls, the implementation of institutional controls to limit access to the site, and long-term groundwater monitoring. Surface controls, such as grading and lining of existing ditches, will manage the surface water runoff and reduce infiltration. Reducing infiltration will slow the rate at which contaminants migrate from the unsaturated soil into the groundwater. Institutional controls will be designed to control land and groundwater use. Such controls can take the form of access restrictions and fencing around the site to minimize contact with soils and deed restrictions to prevent groundwater usage onsite and downgradient on property currently owned by DOE. The site is currently fenced. Appropriate deed restrictions will be obtained at the time the facility is transferred. The monitoring activities will be conducted to document the effectiveness of the selected remedy.

Alternatives 3 through 7 include extracting the groundwater for disposal through the Mound Plant NPDES-permitted outfall. This groundwater extraction will be effective at capturing contaminated groundwater before offsite migration can occur.

### 7.2. Description of the Alternatives

The alternatives contain elements that range from limited action through capping, containment, and in situ treatment. Descriptions of these elements are provided below. More detailed descriptions of the alternatives are provided in the FS.

- The no-action alternative (Alternative 1) involves no additional activities at the site.
- The limited-action alternative (Alternative 2) consists only of the common elements described above.
- The collection-and-disposal alternative (Alternative 3) also encompasses extraction of groundwater for disposal through the Mound Plant NPDES-permitted Outfall. Under this alternative, the soil contamination would be left in place.
- Under the alternatives incorporating a treatment option (Alternatives 4 through 7), groundwater would be extracted and treated onsite to remove VOCs.
- Under the capping alternatives (Alternatives 5, 7, and 9), a surface cap of low-permeability soil would be placed on the ground surface above known waste disposal areas that could

surface be considered potential sources of groundwater contamination. The cap would be designed for integration into the existing cap for the site sanitary landfill and drainage structures so that erosion and infiltration would be minimized.

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- groundwater western and technique. Under alternatives incorporating a subsurface barrier (Alternatives 6 and 7), would be contained onsite with a low-permeability subsurface wall around the southern perimeter of OU 1, which would be constructed by the slurry column technique. Groundwater within OU 1 would be extracted only at a rate sufficient to maintain a hydraulic gradient across the containment barrier toward OU 1.
- permeable in the of offsite. Under the in situ treatment alternatives (Alternatives 8 and 9), subsurface treatment walls composed of a mixture of iron shavings and sand would be installed subsurface downgradient of the site. Slurry columns would serve to direct the flow groundwater toward the treatment walls and minimize movement of groundwater

#### 8. SUMMARY OF COMPARATIVE ANALYSIS OF ALTERNATIVES

This section presents a detailed analysis of the alternatives that were considered. Each alternative is evaluated in detail using nine CERCLA evaluation criteria, which are categorized into the following three criteria groups:

- Threshold Criteria
  - remedy how addresses environmental ability over - Overall protection of human health and the environment addresses whether a provides adequate protection of human health and the environment and describes risks posed through each exposure pathway are eliminated, reduced, or controlled through treatment, engineering controls, or institutional controls. Compliance with applicable or relevant and appropriate requirements (ARARs) whether a remedy will meet all of the ARARs or other federal and state laws and/or justifies a waiver on the basis of technical impracticability.
- Primary Balancing Criteria
  - Long-term effectiveness and performance refers to expected residual risk and the of a remedy to maintain reliable protection of human health and the environment time, once cleanup goals have been met.

- Reduction of toxicity, mobility, or volume through treatment may be used as the performance measure of the treatment technologies.
- Short-term effectiveness addresses the period of time needed to achieve protection. Short-term effectiveness also considers any adverse impacts on human health and the environment that may be posed during the construction and implementation period until cleanup goals are achieved.
- Implementability is the technical and administrative feasibility of remedy, including the availability of materials and services needed to implement a particular option. Cost includes estimated capital, operations, and maintenance costs expressed as net present worth costs.

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- Modifying Criteria
  - State/support agency acceptance reflects aspects of the preferred alternative and other alternatives that the support agency favors or to which the agency objects, as well as any specific comments regarding state ARARs or the proposed use of waivers. The assessment of state concerns may not be complete until after the public comment period on the RI/FS and Proposed Plan is held.
  - Community acceptance summarizes the public's general response to the alternatives described in the Proposed Plan and in the RI/FS, based on public comments received. Like state acceptance, evaluations under this criterion usually will not be completed until after the public comment period is held.

The evaluation of alternatives is summarized in Table 9; cost detail is provided in Table 10. This section profiles the performance of the selected remedy against the remedial evaluation criteria, noting how it compares to the other options under consideration. Because the no-action and institutional controls alternatives, by themselves, do not protect human health and the environment, they are not considered an option for this site.

#### 8.1. Threshold Criteria

To be considered a viable option, a remedial alternative must meet the threshold criteria or, in the case of compliance with ARARs, justify a waiver of a particular ARAR.



### 8.1.1. Overall Protection

All of the alternatives except 1 and 2 would provide adequate protection of human health and the environment by eliminating, reducing, or controlling risk through treatment, engineering controls, or institutional controls.

### 8.1.2. Compliance with ARARs

The chemical-specific and action-specific ARARs are presented in Attachment B. All alternatives (except the no-action and institutional controls alternatives) were designed to meet all of the ARARs.

Under the no-action and institutional controls alternatives, ARARs would be exceeded at the point of compliance. All remaining alternatives would meet their respective ARARs. The selected remedy treats VOC concentrations in the discharge water from the remediation system and will, in particular, comply with the Chronic Freshwater Criteria ARARs.

### 8.2. Balancing Criteria

Once the threshold criteria are satisfied, the balancing criteria are used to weigh the relative merits of various alternatives. The issues concerning the balancing criteria are displayed in Table 9.

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Table 9. Summary of Remedial Action Alternative Comparison

Protects Human Health and the Alternative Effectiveness	Reduces Toxicity, Mobility, or Short Title Environment	Complies With ARARs Volume	Short-term Effectiveness Implementability	Long-term Total Cost
1 No	No action No	Easy	No 90	No
2 No	Institutional No	Easy	No \$ 3,980,000	No
3 Adequate MV	Collect/ Yes disposal	Less difficult	Yes Adequatea \$ 262,000c	Yes
4	Collect/treat/	Yes	Adequatea	Yes

Adequate TMV	Yes disposal	Less difficult	\$ 1,740,000 <sup>c</sup>		
5 Adequate TMV	Collect/treat/ Yes disposal/cap	Less difficult	Yes \$ 2,390,000 <sup>c</sup>	Adequate <sup>b</sup>	Yes
6 Adequate TMV	Contain/collect/ Yes treat/disposal difficult	Moderately	Yes \$ 2,650,000 <sup>c</sup>	Adequate <sup>b</sup>	Yes
7 Adequate TMV	Contain/collect/ Yes treat/disposal/ difficult cap	Moderately	Yes \$ 3,300,000 <sup>c</sup>	Adequate <sup>b</sup>	Yes
8 Adequate TMV	In situ Yes groundwater treatment	More difficult	Yes \$ 1,980,000 <sup>c</sup>	Adequate <sup>b</sup>	Yes
9 Adequate TMV	In situ Yes groundwater treatment/cap	More difficult	Yes \$ 2,630,000 <sup>c</sup>	Adequate <sup>b</sup>	Yes

a Quicker implementation when compared to other alternatives.

b Longer construction time when compared to other alternatives.

c This total cost is in addition to the total cost shown for Alternative 2 (common cost).

ARARs - applicable or relevant and appropriate requirements

MV - mobility and volume

TMV - toxicity, mobility and volume

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Table 10. Summary of Detailed Cost Analysis

Present Value of		Annual
30-year		Operation and
Operation and	Total Present	Maintenance

Alternative Maintenance without Number Common Costa	Short Title	Value without Common Costa	Total Capital Costa	without Common Costa
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1	No action		\$ 0	\$ 0
\$ 0		\$ 0		
2	Institutional		\$ 139,000	\$ 201,000
\$ 3,840,000		\$ 3,980,000		

Each of the following entries is IN ADDITION TO the cost shown for line 2 (Alternative 2).

3	Collect/disposal		\$ 205,000	\$ 3,000
\$ 57,300		\$ 262,000		
4	Collect/treat/disposal		\$ 567,000	\$ 61,000
\$ 1,170,000		\$ 1,740,000b		
5	Collect/treat/disposal/cap		\$ 857,000	\$ 80,000
\$ 1,530,000		\$ 2,390,000		
6	Contain/collect/treat/disposal		\$ 1,330,000	\$ 69,000
\$ 1,320,000		\$ 2,650,000		
7	Contain/collect/treat/disposal/cap		\$ 1,620,000	\$ 88,000
\$ 1,680,000		\$ 3,300,000		
8	In situ groundwater treatment		\$ 1,650,000	\$ 17,000
\$ 325,000		\$ 1,980,000		
9	In situ groundwater treatment/cap		\$ 1,940,000	\$ 36,000
\$ 688,000		\$ 2,630,000		

a Represents the common cost used in each cost estimate.

b Represents highest likely cost for treatment technology.

NOTE: Figures rounded to three significant digits after computations completed.

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#### 8.2.1. Short-Term Effectiveness

Alternatives 5, 7, and 9 provide the greatest short-term effectiveness because, immediately after installation, the surface cap would prevent contact with contaminated soils. Some dust generation is expected during installation of the cap; however, this risk could be easily reduced by dust control methods and worker protection. The cap would also rapidly reduce leachate movement from the unsaturated zone into the groundwater.

Alternatives 3, 4, 6, and 8, which do not include a surface cap but do include a fence around Area B, would have little short-term effectiveness because contact with contaminated soils would not be completely prevented. Potentially, onsite workers would be exposed to contaminated soils and the community could potentially be exposed to COCs through airborne dust.

Environmental impacts common to all alternatives include disturbance of biota in the construction areas. However, these would not be significant environmental impacts.

#### 8.2.2. Long-Term Effectiveness and Permanence

Alternatives 7 and 9 provide the highest degrees of long-term effectiveness and permanence because they use a subsurface containment system (slurry columns) to passively reduce offsite movement of contaminated groundwater. Alternative 7 also employs groundwater recovery wells to extract contaminated groundwater from Area B and to ensure a hydraulic gradient toward Area B. Groundwater recovery wells would be effective over the long term at fulfilling these tasks. The permanence of these alternatives would also be considered high because, once the PRGs are met, groundwater contamination would remain onsite. These alternatives also use a surface cap to passively reduce leachate movement from the unsaturated zone. This technology would contribute to the high degree of effectiveness and permanence of these alternatives due to the resultant decrease in contaminant flux from the unsaturated zone.

Alternatives 6 and 8 also employ subsurface containment systems (slurry columns) around Area B. However, because these do not implement a surface cap to control contaminant flux from the unsaturated zone, their permanence would be considered less than Alternatives 7 and 9.

Alternatives 3, 4 and 5, which utilize groundwater recovery wells but no subsurface containment, would be less effective at preventing offsite movement of contaminated groundwater. Even if properly monitored and adjusted according to changing hydrogeologic conditions, a small amount of groundwater could potentially not be captured if one or more recovery wells were shut down for maintenance.

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#### 8.2.3. Overall Protection of Human Health and the Environment

Alternatives D, 7, and 9 provide adequate protection of human health and the environment by reducing the risk of soil contact and contaminated groundwater ingestion. Alternatives 3, 4, 6, and 8 reduce risk of contaminated groundwater ingestion but provide minimal reduction of soil contact risk.

Alternative 1 (no action) provides no protection of human health and the environment. Alternative 2 provides minimal reduction of the risk of contact with soil. Alternative 2 also provides some reduction of risk through groundwater ingestion onsite, but there is some uncertainty about the prevention of

offsite groundwater ingestion.

#### 8.2.4. Reduction of Mobility, Toxicity, and Volume Through Treatment

All alternatives except 1, 2, and 3 reduce the mobility, toxicity, and volume of contaminated groundwater by employing UV/oxidation water treatment technology prior to its discharge through the NPDES-permitted outfall. This technology is reliable with proper operation and maintenance.

Alternatives 1 (no action) and 2 (institutional controls) do not reduce mobility, toxicity, or volume of contaminated groundwater through treatment. Alternative 3 reduces only contaminant volume and mobility in the groundwater by implementing groundwater extraction.

#### 8.2.5. Implementability

Technically, Alternative 2 would be the easiest to implement because it only involves construction of a fence. However, this alternative would be the most difficult to implement administratively because of uncertainties involving acquisition of land or water rights to prevent groundwater ingestion.

Alternatives 3, 4, and 5 could be implemented using standard construction techniques and practices. The water treatment technology required in Alternatives 4, 5, 6, and 7 is not widely used but, because it has been put into practice at several sites and is relatively uncomplicated to operate, it should be readily implementable.

Alternatives 5, 7, and 9, which involve the surface cap, would be less implementable than their counterparts that do not include a surface cap (Alternatives 4, 6, and 8). To make augmentation of the existing cap feasible, the low-permeability soil option was chosen since it was the best match to the existing cap and could be used to extend the cap over the desired areas with less disruption to the current containment system. Given the steep sides of the existing landfill, however, an added degree of difficulty exists in the design and implementation of the surface cap extension.

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Alternatives 6 and 7, which involve construction of a subsurface barrier with slurry columns around Area B, would not be as readily implementable as the previous alternatives. Prior to slurry column installation, a soil-boring program for contaminant sampling and geotechnical testing must be conducted. The slurry column installation would then be implemented using common construction practices.

Alternatives 8 and 9, which involve subsurface barriers and a subsurface permeable treatment wall, would be less implementable than Alternatives 6 and 7 because treatability studies would be required.

to design the permeable treatment well. The slurry column construction for this alternative would be the same as described above.

#### 9. SELECTED REMEDY

The selected remedy for controlling contamination from the soils and groundwater at OU 1 is Alternative 4 - Collection, Treatment, and Disposal of Groundwater. As discussed previously, the common elements of surface water controls, institutional controls to limit site access, and long-term groundwater monitoring will be part of the remedy as well. Based on groundwater studies conducted during the FS, it is currently envisioned that the collection (groundwater extraction) system will consist of two wells pumping at a combined rate of 45 gallons per minute. Additional groundwater modeling will be conducted during the remedial design phase, which will establish optimum location and pumping rates for the extraction wells. Some changes may be made to the remedy as a result of the remedial design and construction process. Such changes, in general, will reflect modifications resulting from the engineering design process.

Based on current information, this alternative would meet the USEPA remedial evaluation criteria. The alternative meets the threshold criteria (is protective of human health and the environment and satisfies all the ARARs) and satisfies the primary balancing criteria (short- and long-term effectiveness; reduction of toxicity, mobility, or volume; and implementability) for the least cost. Because it reduces toxicity and volume and controls mobility, the alternative also protects the Mound Plant production wells. The preferred alternative would be effective in capturing contaminated groundwater beneath the OU 1 site before it migrates offsite. The groundwater pump-and-treat system will reduce the contaminant mass in the subsurface and will continue to operate until groundwater meets the Preliminary Remediation Goals specified in Table 8. It is difficult to predict how long this will take, but for costing purposes, it was assumed the system would operated for a period of 30 years. The treatment system specified for this site could efficiently remove the VOCs to the preliminary remediation goals listed in Table 8. All extracted groundwater would be treated to levels that will comply with the requirements of the Mound Plant NPDES Permit.

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The contemplated treatment system will primarily consist of a unit designed to remove VOCs from the water prior to discharge. Final determination of all required treatment will be made as part of

the detail design. There are several potentially viable treatment trains for VOCs, including cascade aeration, UV oxidation, and conventional air stripping; all offer the possibility of adequate treatment. Additionally, the CERCLA process allows for and promotes the use of innovative technologies whenever potentially practicable and cost-effective. Final selection of technologies will be made during remedial design, when any of these systems may be determined to be optimal. Cascade aeration, as well as the other treatment trains, constitutes best available treatment.

Thus, the selected remedy-collection, treatment, and disposal-will provide a cost-effective remedial option that is easy to implement and that will adequately protect human health and the environment.

Following issuance of the ROD, three kinds of changes that require documentation can be made to the selected remedy. These are as follows:

- Minor changes that require differences to be documented in the post-ROD file.
- Significant changes that require the development of an explanation of significant differences for inclusion in the Administrative Record. Significant changes are those that modify or replace a component of the selected remedy.
- Fundamental changes that require the development of a ROD amendment and, thus, additional public comment. Fundamental changes are changes of the selected remedy that do not reflect the ROD with regard to scope (e.g., overall approach), performance, or cost.

At the time DOE proposes the specific treatment technology to be used, DOE, in consultation with USEPA and OEPA, will determine whether changes need to be made in the ROD and will implement the specified modification procedures.

## 10. STATUTORY DETERMINATIONS

The selected remedy protects human health and the environment, complies with federal and state requirements that are legally applicable or relevant and appropriate (ARAR) to the remedial action, and is cost-effective. A list of ARARs that will be attained by the selected remedy, along with the "To Be Considered" (TBC) item that was used, is provided as Attachment B. In implementing the selected remedy, DOE, USEPA, and OEPA have agreed to consider a procedure that is not legally binding. In implementing the selected remedy, DOE, USEPA, and OEPA have agreed to consider as a TBC the OEPA policy on wastewater discharge resulting from cleanup of response action sites contaminated with VOCs.

This remedy uses permanent solutions and alternative treatment technologies to the maximum extent practicable for this site, and satisfies the statutory preference for treatment as a principal element of the remedy. While the remedy calls for treatment of contaminated groundwater, treatment of soil at the site was not found to be practicable. The fact that the source of contamination is diffuse and no substantive onsite soil hot spots exist precludes a remedy consisting of excavation and treatment of contaminants in soil.

Because this remedy will result in hazardous substances remaining onsite above health-based levels, a review will be conducted within 5 years after commencement of the remedial action to ensure that the remedy continues to provide adequate protection of human health and the environment.

11. DOCUMENTATION OF SIGNIFICANT CHANGES

The OU 1 Proposed Plan was released for public comment in November 1994. The Proposed Plan identified Alternative 4 (Collection, Treatment, and Disposal) as the preferred alternative for groundwater remediation. DOE reviewed all written and verbal comments submitted during the public comment period. Upon review of these comments, it was determined that no significant changes were necessary to the remedy as originally identified in the Proposed Plan.

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At the time of the public comment period (15 November 1994), DOE had identified a preferred alternative for OU 1, Area B. The recommended alternative, as published in the Proposed Plan, consisted of collection, treatment, and disposal of groundwater. The treated groundwater would be released to the Great Miami River.

Judging from the limited number of comments received during the public comment period, the citizens and other interested parties did not question the overall remediation strategy. Comments were directed to the nature and need for treatment, as well as the manner in which the treatment system would be operated.

These sections follow:

- Section 2, Background on Community Involvement.
- Section 3, Summary of Comments Received During the Public Comment Period and DOE Responses.
  - Section 3.1, Summary and Response to Local Community Concerns.
  - Section 3.2, Comprehensive Response to Specific Legal and Technical Questions.

- Section 4, Remaining Concerns.
- Attachment C, Community Relations Activities for OU 1, Area B.

## 2. BACKGROUND ON COMMUNITY INVOLVEMENT

Community reaction to Mound Plant has been mixed. Unlike most sites that handle nuclear material and hazardous chemicals, Mound Plant does not sit in an isolated location. The plant can be seen from downtown, schools, farm fields, parks, and homes. The backyards of a few Miamisburg residences

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end at Mound Plant's fence. Also, Mound Plant has had a highly visible community image, with a long record of community service and philanthropy. Historically, the majority of the local residents have viewed Mound Plant as no threat to the community.

Community involvement for OU 1 has been integrated with community involvement activities for the Mound Plant Site as a whole. The Mound Plant CERCLA Community Relations Plan, published in 1990, provided for soliciting comment while informing the public about planned and ongoing actions. The public information activities are carried out through quarterly CERCLA public meetings and by periodic publication of a newsletter, the Superfund Update.

As the field investigation of OU 1 was completed, public information activities directed toward OU 1 were initiated. Specific items are:

- An update on the field investigation was included in the October 1993 Superfund Update.
- The budget priorities for OU 1 and the balance of the CERCLA program were the subject of a workshop at the October 1993 CERCLA public meeting.
- A briefing on the site conditions and environmental issues relating to OU 1 was presented at CERCLA public meetings on 14 June 1993 and 22 September 1994.
- The OU 1 RIR, containing results and interpretations of field investigations, was placed in the public reading room in May 1994.
- A brochure, Environmental Restoration at Mound, was published in July 1994 and included a short description of OU 1. A brochure providing more detail on OU 1 was published in September 1994.
- A fact sheet announcing the availability of the FS and the Proposed Plan was published in

November 1994.

- Public comments were solicited and received at a public hearing on 8 December 1994. The transcript of that hearing is available in the public reading room.
- In response to comments, a second fact sheet was published in December 1994.
- The public comment period remained open until 31 January 1995.

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### 3. SUMMARY OF PUBLIC COMMENTS RECEIVED DURING PUBLIC COMMENT PERIOD AND DOE RESPONSES

The public comment period extended from 15 November 1994 through 31 January 1995. A public meeting and hearing was held on 8 December 1994. Two comments were received at the hearing. Two sets of written comments were received from technical advisors to Miamisburg Environmental Safety and Health (MESH). The state of Ohio raised one additional technical issue.

#### 3.1. Summary and Response to Local Community Concerns

##### 1. Selection of Alternative 4 over Alternative 3.

At the 8 December 1994 public meeting for the OU 1 Proposed Plan, a question was raised concerning Table 1 on page 9 of the Proposed Plan. The question concerned the apparent similarity of Alternatives 3 and 4, with the exception of maximum total cost.

DOE Response: Table 9, in the ROD, updates and clarifies Table 1 by identifying the reduction of toxicity, mobility, or volume of contaminants that each alternative addresses. Alternative 3 meets the mobility and volume reduction statutory preference for selecting remedial actions (page 4-10 of the OU 1 FS). It does not address toxicity reduction, which is also a statutory preference for selecting remedial actions. Therefore, DOE, in consultation with the USEPA and OEPA, has determined that Alternative 4, which includes treatment to reduce toxicity, is preferable. The reduction of toxicity, mobility, or volume for Alternative 4 is explained on page 4-14 of the FS.

Guidance from the OEPA indicates that wastewater discharges resulting from cleanup of response action sites contaminated with VOCs need to be treated with the best available technology for toxicity reduction. The state of Ohio believes that Alternative 3 does not meet those requirements.

The NCP (40 CFR 300) identifies two additional "modifying criteria," which are (1) state acceptance and (2) community acceptance. Based on the state's position on Alternative 3, Alternative 4 was chosen as the preferred alternative. This Responsiveness Summary incorporates an evaluation of community acceptance based on public comments.

2. Compatibility with overall remedy for The Site.

At the 8 December 1994 public meeting for the OU 1 Proposed Plan, a question was raised whether the remedy for OU 1 would help or hinder remedial action for the Site as a whole. The recommendation was made to "put your arms around the whole project."

DOE Response: DOE is ultimately concerned with a remedy for the Mound Plant CERCLA Site as a whole. The Site has been broken down into separate OUs to facilitate the planning and investigation.

OU 1 is the first unit to be considered for final remedial action. The other OUs also likely will be considered one at a time to maintain a reasonable rate of progress. However, each removal action, interim remedial action, or final remedial action is evaluated to ensure that it is unlikely to interfere with any overall remedy for the complete Site.

The selected remedy for OU 1 will withdraw groundwater from beneath an immediately adjacent to OU 1. A small portion of the groundwater that now flows down the tributary valley and enters the BVA could be diverted into the remediation wells. The effect of the remediation on the hydraulic performance of the plant production wells is expected to be immeasurably small. Thus, the selected remedy is expected to be compatible with potential remedial actions in other parts of the plant. Further, it should support or assist in controlling migration of contamination thus directly supporting a range of alternatives. As other portions of the plant are considered for remediation, DOE will reconsider this issue.

3. Peter Townsend, MESH Technical Advisor, stated, "I conclude that remedial alternative 4 is the most reasonable alternative for clean-up of the landfill and overflow pond area. Alternative 4 will involve ground water collection and treatment, and appears capable of preventing further contamination of groundwater in the immediate area of the overflow pond and existing landfill."

Mr. Townsend went on to comment on the occurrence of 1,1,1-TCA in The BVA. He agreed with the assertion in the RIR that OU 1 was not the source of this contaminant, but suggested that it could still be the result of Mound Plant activities. He identified the NPDES 001 outfall pipe as a possible source, since it had (formerly) been an unsealed, butted cement pipe. Mr. Townsend recommended that consideration of this possible source be considered in the OU 1 FS or a future document.

DOE Response: This commentor agrees with the DOE selection of the remedial alternative presented in the OU 1 Proposed Plan. However, concern is raised regarding offsite contamination, which DOE has concluded is not related to OU 1 or, in fact, to Mound Plant. The commentor misinterprets a statement on page 2-20 of the RIR and concludes that VOC contamination was discovered and caused

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some private residences to be connected to Miamisburg city water. The statement says that "In January 1988, residences that used groundwater from wells 0901, 0902, 0903, 0905, 0907, and 0908 (Figure 2.5 in the RIR) were connected to Miamisburg city water due to local organic contamination." This group of wells was owned by the operator of a trailer park, who supplied drinking water to the residents. This system met the definition of a community water system and was subject to the Safe Drinking Water Act (SDWA) regulations. It is DOE's position that these residences did not discontinue use of these wells as a result of VOC contamination originating from Mound Plant. The switch to city water was caused, we believe, by the owner's difficulty and expense involved with the testing and operating conditions required to comply with SDWA regulations. During 1986 to 1988, Mound Plant conducted at least six separate sampling events for wells 0901 through 0908. No VOCs were detected in any of these events; specifically, 1,1,1-TCA was not detected. This commentor also speculates that the source of the alleged 1,1,1-TCA plume was the Mound Plant NPDES outfall 001 pipeline. To clarify the situation, Mound Plant drawings and long-time employees were consulted. Drawings indicate that the pipeline is 12-inch-diameter vitrified clay pipe, of bell and spigot configuration, from west of Cincinnati-Dayton Pike to the river. This configuration would require each joint to be filled with mortar to allow proper alignment. As part of a site-wide program to upgrade sewer lines, this pipeline was slip-lined with a continuous plastic liner in approximately 1980 to 1981. This was done as a good management practice, not because of a known contamination problem. No VOC contamination has been detected from the wells (0127, 0128, 0302, 0303, 0343, 0383) located due south of the 001 outfall pipe, which confirms there is no VOC contamination as a result of possible leakage from the 001 discharge pipe.

4. Jeff Fisher, MESH Technical Advisor, provided the following comments:

a. No remediation goals (except ARARs were described for surface and ground water, surface and deep soil, sediment and air. Clean up or treatment is fine, but goals need to be established and agreed upon by the USEPA, OEPA, Mound, and Stakeholders. A clear assessment of the treatment system's ability to meet cleanup goals is necessary. Without a target you are just "shooting arrows at a wall."

DOE Response: All of these issues are addressed in the OU 1 FS, which was released for public review with the Proposed Plan. Remediation goals were established and cleanup targets were agreed upon in extensive discussions among Mound Plant, DOE, USEPA and OEPA.

b. Offsite contamination needs to be addressed and workable solutions discussed by the Mound, regulators, and stakeholders. Environmental contamination extends beyond the boundaries of Mound.

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DOE Response: Offsite issues are being addressed through the OU 9 (site-wide) RI/FS process, as well as through additional OUs (such as the Miami-Erie Canal). Since conditions at OU 1 do not lead to offsite contamination, it is not addressed in the current documents.

Mr. Fisher went on to address comments to the OU 1 RIR, which was placed in the reading room in May 1994. Although not pertinent to the Proposed Plan, the comments and responses are provided below.

a. Please explain the concept of "background" as it pertains to cleanup of chemicals and radionuclides.  
Is it US EPA policy to use background values obtained from the Mound site? How are these used or compared to background values obtained from sites distant from the Mound?

DOE Response: Chemical and radiological background for the Mound Plant Site is being defined in a series of data reports published as part of the OU 9 (site-wide) RI. The background data for surface soils were published in 1994 (Background Soils Investigation Soil Chemistry Report, Technical Memorandum, Revision 2, September 1994). This document is available in the public reading room. Background statements for groundwater, surface water, and sediments are being prepared. All background will be based on data from the vicinity of, but beyond the influence of, Mound Plant. Use of background data will be on a case-by-case basis. No reliance on background was used in selecting the remedy for OU 1.

b. For toxicity values that reference the ECAO [Environmental Criteria and Assessment Office], please supply written documentation showing the derivation of the toxicity value. Please state what year of HEAST tables were cited. Are Heast tables prior to 1994 used?

DOE Response: Toxicity values were obtained from the USEPA, as cited in the text and Appendix J of the OU 1 RIR. No independent derivation of toxicity was made, so no additional documentation is available. HEAST tables from 1993 were used, since this effort was completed in 1993.

c. There are several typographical errors, but the errors did not detract from the intent of the document.

DOE Response: Noted.

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d. The overflow pond appears to be without adequate analytical data and was not included in the risk assessment. Without this added to the baseline risk assessment, the baseline risk assessment is inadequate and does not address all important pathways of exposure.

DOE Response: As discussed in the RIR, the overflow pond is part of the plant drainage system, which is being studied as part of the OU 9 investigation. The limited data available suggest that the overflow pond is not a significant direct source of contamination to the aquifer system. The pond water and sediment are not highly contaminated, and the leakage through the liner is not anticipated to be significant. These issues are addressed in sections 4.2 and 4.4.4 of the RIR. The pond is not an important pathway of exposure for OU 1.

e. The documents pertaining to OU 1 need to be available to the public in draft form. This is a very serious problem that needs to be corrected.

DOE Response: All documents are reviewed in draft by both regulatory agencies (USEPA and OEPA), who approve the final versions prior to public release. This is consistent with CERCLA guidance.

5. The following written comments were received from an anonymous reviewer of the OU 1 Proposed Plan:

a. Are the Miami Erie Canal sediments the only potential source of tritium in the BVA?

DOE Response: No. The canal is the major source, but small amounts of tritium have also been detected in wells in the Old Burn Area and Old Landfill Area.

b. What proof do you have that Mound is the source of the VOC contamination presently detected in the BVA?

DOE Response: The highest levels of VOCs have been detected onsite in the OU 1 location. Historical Mound well monitoring data also confirm this.

c. Are there any known current tritium sources that may eventually reach the BVA? Are there any known current tritium sources that may reach the canal?

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DOE Response: c1) Yes, under the SW Building. However, it is unlikely that the SW Building tritium source will reach the BVA. c2) Yes, tritium reached the canal as a result of Mound discharging

tritiated  
plant water in the Mound drainage ditch that flows into the canal.

d. What are the tritium levels in the main hill seeps?

DOE Response: The highest levels are in the low 100s nanocurie per liter range. The seeps are not a threat to the aquifer.

e. What historic maximum levels of VOCs were detected in the upstream aquifer (from the Mound Plant) during a Mound sampling/analysis event or "other's" sampling/analysis event?

DOE Response: The observed levels of VOCs in the background wells (completed in the BVA) are as follows:

Chemical	Range of Detected Concentrations ( $\mu\text{g/L}$ )	Mean of Concentrations ( $\mu\text{g/L}$ )
1,1,1-TCA	0.46 - 2.3	0.53
1,2-cis-DCE	1.1 - 1.1	0.55
PCE	11. - 12.	2.21
Trichloromethane (chloroform)	0.50 - 0.57	0.30

f. What are the current levels of VOCs upstream from Mound Plant?

DOE Response: The OU 9 Groundwater Sweeps Report, dated January 1995, showed the following monitoring well data:

Well 0118	0.68 $\mu\text{g/L}$	1,2-Dichloroethane
Well 0137	1.6/ $\mu\text{g/L}$	Trichloroethane
Well 0137	0.58 $\mu\text{g/L}$	Trichloromethane (chloroform)
Well 0138	0.53 $\mu\text{g/L}$	1,2-Dichloroethene
Well 0138	6.0 $\mu\text{g/L}$	Acetonitrile
Well 0138	0.58 $\mu\text{g/L}$	Trichloromethane (chloroform)
Well 0138	9.9 $\mu\text{g/L}$	Trichloromethane (chloroform)
Well 0327	2.3 $\mu\text{g/L}$	1,1,1-Trichloroethane
Well 0327	12.0 $\mu\text{g/L}$	Tetrachloroethene
Well 0327	0.50 $\mu\text{g/L}$	Trichloromethane (Chloroform)
Well 0328	1.1 $\mu\text{g/L}$	1,2-cis-Dichloroethene
Well 0328	9.0 $\mu\text{g/L}$	Bis (2-Ethylhexyl) Phthalate
Well 0332	8.9/ $\mu\text{g/L}$	Dichloromethane (Methylene Chloride)

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g. What ground water model was used to determine the contribution of VOC contamination from the Mound historic landfill verses the historic upstream VOC contamination?

DOE Response: For the VOCs, the Darcy Model was used.

h. How does the OU 4 canal remediation schedule, the OU 1 remediation schedule and the OU 2 remediation schedule tie into one another?

DOE Response: Because OU 1 groundwater contamination is the reason the Mound site was put on



the NPL, or Superfund, OU 1 has been given a high priority for cleanup by the DOE. The OU 1 VOC contamination problem is a result of past disposal practices in OU 1 and is not interactive with the other Mound Plant OU schedules.

i. Will all other known sources of VOCs be completely remediated prior to the implementation of the OU 1 Proposed Plan?

DOE Response: No. However, at this time no other plant VOC sources are impacting OU 1.

j. Do you plan to remediate OU 4 (the canal), contain the main hill seeps (OU 2), or remediate the VOC contaminated soils in the landfill prior to remediating the aquifer?

DOE Response: j1) No. OU 2 and OU 4 are not affecting OU 1 (see response to h). j2) The site sanitary landfill and overflow pond overlie most of OU 1, making large-scale excavation prohibitive.

k. What are the calculated risks (cancer) for the no-action alternative for OU 17

DOE Response: The highest overall risk for the onsite resident is  $5 \times 10^{-4}$ .

i. What is the total cost for the OU 1 Proposed Plan implementation?

DOE Response: The estimated cost for the proposed remedy, collection, treatment, and disposal is \$1,740,000. This includes installation costs and annual operations and maintenance costs for an estimated 30-year remediation cycle.

m. What long term ground water monitoring and sampling will be necessary after remediation is complete? Is there sufficient Congressional budget available to support the long term monitoring work?

DOE Response: m1) Monitoring and sampling requirements after OU 1 remediation is completed will be determined based on USEPA groundwater regulatory guidance. m2) Budget provisions have been made for this work, but this funding is subject to change.

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n. What is the cost for the long term monitoring and sampling in the current five-year plan? How much will the long term monitoring and sampling cost?

DOE Response: No long-term monitoring and sampling funding has been specifically identified in the OU 1 5-year plan. Costs for the long-term monitoring and sampling after OU 1 is remediated will be determined based on USEPA groundwater guidance requirements (see response to m).

o. Has OEPA and US EPA approved the proposed remedial actions based on risk concerns?

DOE Response: Yes. The Proposed Plan preferred alternative has been approved by both USEPA and OEPA.

p. What risk level is acceptable as a no action level by Ohio EPA for tritium b? for VOCs?  
for tritium  
and VOCs based on levels found in the BVA?

DOE Response: The acceptable USEPA cancer risk levels are  $1 \times 10^{-4}$  to  $1 \times 10^{-6}$ .

q. What risk level is acceptable as a no action level by US EPA for tritium? or VOCs? for  
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VOCs based on levels found in the BVA?

DOE Response: The acceptable USEPA cancer risk levels are  $1 \times 10^{-4}$  to  $1 \times 10^{-6}$ .

r. What levels of risk are necessary for the "no action alternative" to be approved by the Ohio  
EPA  
and US EPA regulators assigned to oversee work at Mound7 at WPAFB?

DOE Response: The acceptable USEPA cancer risk levels are  $1 \times 10^{-4}$  to  $1 \times 10^{-6}$ .

### 3.2. Comprehensive Response to Specific Legal and Technical Questions

As part of its continuing review of the OU 1 FS and Proposed Plan, the OEPA and the Regional Air Pollution Control Authority (RAPCA) examined the need for air-related permits for the remedy. These agencies suggested that an application to and review by RAPCA are appropriate. Subsequent conversations and correspondence confirmed that neither a permit application nor a design review is needed.

### 4. REMAINING CONCERNS

None.

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### STATE CONCURRENCE LETTER

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May 22. 1995

RE: US DOE MOUND  
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CONCURRENCE LETTER

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Mr. J. Phil Hamric  
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Dear Mr. Adamkus and Mr. Hamric:

The Ohio Environmental Protection Agency (Ohio EPA) has received and reviewed the April 1995 Operable Unit 1 (OU1) Record of Decision (ROD) for the DOE Mound Superfund site in Montgomery County.

The OU1 ROD is the first ROD to be completed for the operable units at the DOE Mound. This remedial action is not the final remedial action for the DOE Mound site, but is intended to be a final remedial action for OU1. Decisions regarding remedial actions for other portions of the site are being addressed in other operable units, which will ultimately be considered in a Site-wide Remedial Investigation and Feasibility Study, which are in progress. A decision on the final remedial action for the DOE Mound Site will be made in a subsequent decision-making process.

The OU1 ROD addresses groundwater contamination by preventing migration of contamination (volatile organic compounds) toward the DOE Mound production well. The selected remedial action will result in the minimization of exposure to potential receptors of the groundwater contamination. The selected alternative includes the following components:

- \* Installation of two groundwater extraction wells within OU1, using standard equipment and procedures. Specifics regarding the design of the extraction system will be determined in the Remedial Design.
- \* Treating the extracted groundwater to remove volatile organic compounds and other constituents, as required, using cascade aeration, ultraviolet oxidation, conventional air stripping, or other suitable treatment units including innovative technologies which will achieve the remedial objectives.

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- \* Discharging the treated groundwater to the Great Miami River through the existing plant NPDES outfall or a new outfall. Permit modifications may be needed to accommodate the final design of the remedy.

The estimated present cost of the selected remedy is \$706,000 in 1995 dollars. The estimated annual present worth of operation and maintenance costs are \$1,170,000 for a period of 30 years.

Ohio EPA concurs with the selected remedy based upon this review. Since, the selected remedy does not involve establishment or modification of the site sanitary landfill, Ohio Administrative.

Code 3745-27-07 is not considered to be Applicable or Relevant and Appropriate (AEAR), although it would be a potential ARAR for other OUI remedies.

Because this remedy may result in hazardous substances remaining Onsite above health-based levels, a review will be conducted within five years after commencement of this remedial action to ensure that the remedy continues to adequately protect human health and the environment.

Sincerely,

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Donald R. Schregardus  
Director

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ARARs TABLES

Table 1. State Chemical-Specific ARARs for OU 1

Regulation Title or Subject/Revised Code Paragraph	Regulation Description ARAR	Comments
Prohibits Violation of May pertain to any site where of the substantive Air Pollution Control emissions of an air contaminant occur state air requirements as Rules/3704.05 A-I either as s preexisting condition of the required by Section 121 (d) of  site or as a result of remedial activities.  Should be considered for virtually all  sites.	Prohibits emission of an air contaminant in violation of  Section 3704 or any rule, permit, order, or variance issued provisions of  pursuant to that section of the ORC.  ARARs is  CERCLA.	Implementation
Handling Low-Level Pertains to all sites at which low-level wastes generated as part of Radioactive Waste radioactive waste has come to be at OU 1 will be managed Prohibited/3734.02.7 located. non-radioactive materials. A,B	A) Prohibits commingling low-level radioactive waste with ARAR any type of solid, hazardous, or infectious waste.  B) He owner or operator of a solid, infectious, or  hazardous waste facility shall accept any radioactive waste for transfer, storage, treatment, or disposal.	Radioactive remedial actions separately from
"Five Freedoms" for Pertains to discharges to surface bodies subject to quality Surface Water/ waters as a result of remediation and to standards do not occur within 3745.1-04 A,B,C,D,E any omits surface waters affected by Alternatives that involve discharge  site condition. will be addressed in  action-specific ARARs.	All surface waters of the state shall be free from: ARAR A) Objectionable suspended solids. B) Floating debris, oil, and scum. C) Materials that create a nuisance. D) Toxic, harmful, or lethal substances. D) Nutrients that create nuisance growth.	Surface water criteria OU 1. to surface water
Antidegradation Policy Pertains to discharges to surface water bodies subject to quality	Prevents degradation of surface water quality below ARAR	Surface water

for Surface Water/ as a result of remedial action and to standards do not occur within all 3745-1-05 A,B,C any surface water affected by site that involve discharge to	designated use or existing water quality. Existing instream criteria uses shall be maintained and protected. The most 1. Alternatives stringent controls for treatment shall be required by the surface water director of the USEPA for all new end existing point source discharges. Prevents any degradation of "State Resource Waters."
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conditions.  
will be addressed in action-  
specific ARARs.

Mixing Zones for Applied as a term of discharge permit involving direct discharge will Surface Water/ to install. 3745-1-06 A,B	A) Presents the criteria for establishing non-thermal mixing ARAR Alternatives zones for point source discharges. comply. B) Presents the criteria for establishing thermal mixing zones for point source discharges.
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Water Quality Criteria/ Pertains to discharges to surface bodies subject to quality 3745-1-07 C waters as a result of remedial action standards do not occur within OU and any surface waters affected by site that involve discharge to	Establishes water quality criteria for pollutants that do not ARAR Surface water have specific numerical or narrative criteria identified in criteria Tables 7-2 through 7-15 of this rule. 1. Alternatives surface water
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conditions.  
will be addressed in action-  
specific ARARs.

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Regulation Title or Subject/Revised Code Section and Pertinent Paragraph Regulation Application	Regulation Description ARAR	Comments
Particulate Ambient Air Pertains to any site that may emit may be involved as part of Quality Standards/ measurable quantities of particulate several of the 3745-17-02 A,B,C	Establishes specific standards for total suspended ARAR particulates.	Air emissions  the treatment in

matter (both stack and fugitive). Alternatives involving air		alternatives.
Consider for sites that will undergo be coordinated with USEPA		emissions will
excavation, demolition, cap installation, ensure particulate emissions		and OEPA to
clearing and grubbing, incineration, end acceptable limits.		are within
waste fuel recovery.		
Particulate Pertains to sites in certain locations may be involved as part of Nondegradation that may emit or allow the escape of several of the Policy/3745-17-05 particulates (both stack and fugitive). Alternatives involving air	Degradation of air quality in any area where air quality is ARAR better then required by 3746-17-02 is prohibited.	Air emissions the treatment in alternatives.
Consider for sites that will undergo be coordinated with USEPA		emissions will
excavation, demolition, cap installation, ensure particulate emissions		and OEPA to
clearing and grubbing, and incineration. acceptable limits.		are within
Evaluation of Pertains to sites at which wastes of generated during Wastes/3745-52-11 any type (both Solid end hazardous) are implementation of remedial A-D located. evaluated to determine if	Any person generating a waste must determine if that ARAR waste is hazardous waste (either through listing or by characteristic).	Any materials construction or actions win be
they are identifiable as a hazardous waste, or if they are sufficiently similar to hazardous wastes so that hazardous waste management standards should be applied.		
Ground Water Pertains to all sites with land-based disposal of hazardous waste Protection: hazardous waste unite (surface OU 1. Groundwater Applicability/	Establishes circumstances under which an operator of a ARAR hazardous waste facility must implement a groundwater protection program or a corrective action program.	Historic occurred within

impoundments, waste piles, land implemented as part of the 3745-54-90		monitoring
treatment units, and landfills), including alternatives will incorporate the		remedial
existing land-based areas of the hazardous waste		requirements of
contamination.		regulations.
Required Programs/ Whenever hazardous constituents from groundwater protection 3745-54-91 (A)-IB)	Establishes requirements for conducting a groundwater ARAR	Exceedence of
a regulated unit are detected at the been observed within	compliance monitoring and response program.	standards have
compliance point, or whenever Groundwater monitoring program is		OU 1.
groundwater protection standards are program will be implemented		ongoing; a
exceeded between the compliance remedial alternative that will		as part of a
point and the downgradient facility requirements of this ARAR.		follow
property boundary.		

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Regulation Title or Subject/Revised Code Section and Pertinent Paragraph Regulation Application	Regulation Description ARAR	Comments
Maximum Contaminant Pertains to any site that has potential impacts to the Levels for Inorganic contaminated surface or groundwater standard will be applied. Chemicals/3745-81-11 that is either being used or has the A,B potential for being used as a drinking	Presents maximum contaminant levels for inorganics. ARAR	Because of the  BVA, this



water source.

Maximum Contaminant	Presents maximum contaminant levels for organics.	
Pertains to any site that has	ARAR	Because of the
potential impacts to the		
Levels for Organic		
contaminated surface or groundwater		BVA, this
standard will be applied.		
Chemicals/3745-81-12		
that is either being used or has the		
A,B,C		
potential for being used as a drinking		

water source.

Maximum Contaminant	Presents maximum Contaminent levels for turbidity.	
Pertains to any site that has	ARAR	Because of the
potential Impacts to the		
Levels for Turbidity/		
contaminated surface or groundwater		BVA, this
standard will be applied.		
3745-81-13 A,8		
that is either being used or has the		
potential for being used as a drinking		

water source.

Maximum	Presents maximum contaminant levels for microbiological	
Pertains to any site that has	ARAR	Because of the
potential impacts to the		
Microbiological	contaminants.	
contaminated surface or groundwater		BVA, this
standard will be applied.		
Contaminant Levels/		
that is either being used or has the		
3745-81-14 A-E		
potential for being used as a drinking		

water source.

Maximum Contaminant	Presses maximum contaminant levels for radium-226,	
Pertains to any site that has	ARAR	Because of the
potential Impacts to the		
Levels for Radium-226,	radium-228, and gross alpha particle activity.	
contaminated surface or groundwater		BVA, this
standard will be applied.		
-228, and Gross Alpha/		
that is either being used or has the		
3745-81-15 A,B		
potential for being used as s drinking		

water source.

Maximum Contaminant	Presents maximum Contaminent levels for beta particle find	
Pertains to any site that has	ARAR	Because of the
potential impacts to the		
Levels for Bets Particle	photon radioactivity from men-made radionuclides.	
contaminated surface or groundwater		BVA, this

standard will be applied.  
 and Photon  
 this is either being used or has the  
 Radioactivity/  
 potential for being used as a drinking  
 3746-81-16 A,B  
 water source.

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Microbiological Pertains to any site that has methods for monitoring Contaminant Sampling contaminated surface or groundwater ARARs will be and Analytical that is either being used or has the OEPA and USEPA. Requirements/ potential for being used as a drinking 3745-81-21 A-B water source.	Presents sampling and analytical requirements for ARAS microbiological contaminants.	for Appropriate  compliance with  coordinated with
Turbidity Centeminent Pertains to any site that has methods for monitoring Sampling and Analytical contaminated surface or groundwater ARARs will be Requirements/ that is either being used or has the OEPA and USEPA. 3745-81-22 A-B potential for being used as a drinking water source.	Presents sampling and analytical requirements for ARAS turbidity.	for Appropriate  compliance with  coordinated with
Inorganic Contaminant Pertains to any site that has Monitoring contaminated surface or groundwater ARARs will be Requirements/	Presents monitoring requirements for inorganic contaminants.	compliance with

that is either being used or has the OEPA and USEPA. 3745-81-23 A-E potential for being used as a drinking  water source.		coordinated with
Organic Contaminant Pertains to any site that has methods for monitoring Monitoring contaminated surface or groundwater ARARs will be Requirements/ that is either being used or has the OEPA and USEPA. 3745-81.24 A-E potential for being used as a drinking  water source.	Presents monitoring requirements for organic  ARAS  contaminants.	Appropriate   compliance with  coordinated with
Analytical Methods for Pertains to any site that has methods for monitoring Radioactivity/ contaminated surface or groundwater ARARs will be 3745-81-25 A-D that is either being used or has the OEPA and USEPA.  potential for being used as a drinking  water source.	Presents analytical methods for radioactivity,  ARAR	Appropriate   compliance with  coordinated with
Monitoring Frequency Pertains to any site that has methods for monitoring Radioactivity/ contaminated surface or groundwater ARARs will be 3745-81-26 A-C that is either being used or has the OEPA and USEPA.  potential for being used as a drinking  water source.	Presents monitoring requirements for radioactivity.  ARAS	Appropriate   compliance with  coordinated with
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Regulation Title or Subject/Revised Code Section and Pertinent Paragraph	Regulation Description	Comments
Regulation Application	ARAR	
Analytical Techniques/ Pertains to any site that has methods for monitoring 3745-81-27 A-E contaminated surface or groundwater ARARs will be	Presents general analytical techniques for maximum ARAR contaminant levels.	Appropriate  compliance with
that is either being used or has the OEPA and USEPA.  potential for being used as a drinking water source.		coordinated with
Requirements for a Pertains to any site which has remedy will comply with Variance from MCLs/ contaminated ground or surface water 3745-81-40 A-C that is either being used, or has the  potential for use, as a drinking water source.	Provides criteria by which director may grant ARAR MCLs.	variance from If required, the  this provision.
Alternative Treatment Pertains to any site which has remedy will comply with Technique Variance/ contaminated ground or surface water 3745-81-46 that is either being used, or has the  potential for use, as a drinking water source.	Allows for the use of alternative treatment techniques to ARAR attain MCLs.	If required, the  this provision.
Prohibition of Pertained to all sites located adjacent to Nuisances/3767.14 lakes, streams, or drains.	Prohibition against throwing refuse, oil, or filth into lakes, ARAR streams, or drains.	

ARAR - applicable or relevant and appropriate requirement

BVA - Buried Valley aquifer

CERCLA - Comprehensive Environmental Response, Compensation, and Liability Act

MCL - maximum contaminant level

OEPA - Ohio Environmental Protection Agency

ORC - Ohio Revised Code

OU 1 - Operable Unit 1

USEPA - U.S. Environmental Protection Agency

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Table 2. Federal Chemical-Specific ARARa for OU 1

ARAR	Regulatory Program	Requirement
	Comment	
CWA		Acute CWA freshwater toxicity
ARAR	Compliance is specifically	criterion (CWA 304).
	required by CERCLA 121 (d)	
	where relevant and appropriate.	
	Will be applied except where	
	more appropriate standards exist.	
	For example, standards	
	specifically intended for	
	groundwater or drinking.	
		Chronic CWA freshwater toxicity criterion (CWA 304).
		USEPA ambient water quality criteria for protection of human health aquatic organisms, and drinking water standards (CWA 3041.
		USEPA ambient water quality criteria for protection of human health aquatic organisms only (CWA 304).
Safe Drinking Water Act		Maximum contaminant levels (40 CFR .11 to 141.16).
ARAR	Compliance is specifically	
	required by CERCLA 121 (d)	
	where relevant and appropriate.	
		Maximum contaminant level goals (40 CFR 141.50)
Resource Conservation and Recovery Act	Groundwater Protection Program for Hazardous Waste	
ARAR	Considered relevant and	
	Act Groundwater Monitoring	"Regulated Units" (40 CFR 264 Subpart F).
	appropriate because of historic	
	Requirements	
	disposal of apparent hazardous	
	wastes.	

ARAR - applicable or relevant and appropriate requirement

CERCLA - Comprehensive Environmental Response, Compensation, and Liability Act  
 CWA - Clean Water Act  
 USEPA - U.S. Environmental Protection Agency

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Table 3. State Location-Specific ARARs for OU 1

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"Digging" Where Pertains to any site where hazardous or of the substantive Hazardous or Solid solid waste is located. state requirements relating Waste Facility Was to intrusive activities at former Located/3734.02 (H)	Filling, grading, excavating, building, drilling or mining on ARAR land where a hazardous waste or solid waste facility was operated is prohibited without prior authorization from the disposal director of the OEPA.	Implementation provisions of
Prohibits Open Pertains to any site at which solid generated as part of the Dumping or Burning/ waste has come to be located or will subject to this 3734.03 be generated during a remedial action.	Prohibits open burning or open dumping of solid waste or ARAR treated or untreated infectious waste.	Solid wastes remedy will be requirement.
Hazardous Waste Pertains to all sites where hazardous is required, remedial Facility Environmental wastes are located and/or where will be coordinated with the Impact/3734.06 hazardous wastes will be treated, (D)(6)(c) stored, or disposed of. May function as siting criteria.	A hazardous waste facility installation and operation ARAR permit shaft not be approved unless the facility is proven to represent the minimum adverse environmental impact considering the state of available technology, the nature and economics of various alternatives, and other pertinent	While no permit alternatives USEPA end OEPA.
Hazardous Waste Pertains to all sites	(D)(6)(d). A hazardous waste facility installation end	

Siting Criteria/ operation permit shall not be approved unless it proves waste has come to be located and/or 3734.05 (D)(6)((d)(g)(h) that the facility represent the minimum risk of all of the at which hazardous will be treated, following:

- stored, or disposed of. May function as seating criteria.
- (i) Contamination of ground and surface waters.
  - (ii) Fires or explosions from treatment, storage, or disposal methods.
  - (iii) Accident during transportation.
  - (iv) Impact on public health and safety.
  - (v) Soil contamination.

(D)(6)(g)(h). Prohibits the following location for treatment, storage and disposal of acute hazardous waste:

- (i) Within 2,000 feet of any residence, school, hospital, jail or prison.
- (ii) Any naturally occurring wetland.
- (iii) Any flood hazard area.
- (iv) Within any state park or national park or

recreation area.

Water Use Establishes water use designations for stream segments  
 Pertinent if stress or stream segment discharge. ARAR Applicable to  
 Designations for within the Southwest Ohio Tributeries Basin.  
 is onsite and is affected by site  
 Southwest Ohio  
 conditions or if remedy includes direct  
 Tributaries/3745-1-17  
 discharge. Used by DWQPA to  
 establish waste load allocations.

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Water Use Pertinent if stream or stream segment discharge.	Establishes water use designations for stream segments ARAR	Applicable to

Designations for Great within the Great Miami River Basin.  
is onsite and is affected by site  
Miami River/  
conditions or if remedy includes direct  
3745-1-21  
discharge. Used by DWQPA to  
establish waste load allocations.

Location/Siting of New Mandates that groundwater wells be:  
Pertains to all groundwater wells on ARAR Wells installed  
as part of the remedy will  
GW Wells/3745-9-04 A) Located and maintained to prevent contaminants from  
the site that either will be installed or comply with this  
requirement.  
A,B entering the well.  
have been installed since February  
B) Located to be accessible for cleaning and  
1975. Would pertain during the FS if  
maintenance.  
new wells are constructed for  
treatability studies.

Particulate Degradation of air quality in any area where air quality is  
Pertains to sites in certain locations ARAR Fugitive dust  
emission controls may be  
Nondegradation better than required by 3745-17-02 is prohibited.  
that may emit or allow the escape of required during  
construction. Alternatives  
Policy/3745-17-05  
particulates (both stack and fugitive). involving air  
emissions will be coordinated  
Consider for sites that will undergo With USEPA and  
OEPA to ensure  
excavation, demolition, cap installation, particulate  
emissions are within  
clearing and grubbing, and incineration. acceptable  
limits.

Open Burning Open burning without prior authorization from OEPA is  
Pertains to sites within a restricted area ARAR  
Standards in Restricted prohibited.  
(within the boundary of a municipality  
Areas/3745-19-03 A-D  
and a zone extending beyond such  
municipality).

Disturbances Where Prohibits any filling, grading, excavating, building,  
drilling, Pertains to any site where hazardous or ARAR  
Implementation of the substantive  
Hazardous or Solid or mining on land where a hazardous waste facility or  
solid waste has been ,damaged, either provisions of  
state requirements relating



Regulation Title or Subject/Revised Code Section and Pertinent Paragraph	Regulation Description ARAR	Comments
Prohibits Violation of May pertain to any site where air of the substantive Air Pollution Control contaminant emissions occur either as state air requirements as Rules/3704.05 A-I a preexisting condition of the site or as required by Section 121 (d) of  a result of remedial activities. Should  be considered for virtually all sites.	Prohibits emission of an air contaminant in violation of ARAR Section 3704 or any rule, permit, order, or variance provisions of issued pursuant to that section of the ORC.	Implementation    ARARs is  CERCLA.
"Digging" Where Pertains to any site where hazardous of the substantive Hazardous or Solid or solid waste is located state requirements relating Waste Facility Was to intrusive activities at former disposal Located/3734.02 H sites as ARAR4 is required by Section	Filling, grading, excavating, building, drilling, of mining on ARAR lend where a hazardous waste or solid waste facility was operated is prohibited without prior authorization from the director of the OEPA.	Implementation  provisions of

121 (d) of CERCLA.

Air Emissions from Pertains to any site where hazardous may be involved as part of Hazardous Waste waste will be managed so that air several of the Facilities/3734.02 I emissions may occur. Consider for Alternatives involving air	No hazardous waste facility shall emit any particulate ARAR matter, dust, fumes, gas, mist, smoke, vapor, or odorous substance that interferes with the comfortable enjoyment of life or property or that is injurious to public health.	Air emissions the treatment in alternatives. emissions will
sites that will undergo movement of be coordinated with  earth or incineration. to ensure emissions are  within acceptable limits.		USEPA and OEPA

Handling Low-Level Pertains to all sites where low-level wastes generated as part of Radioactive Waste radioactive waste is located. at OU 1 will be managed Prohibited/ separately from non-radioactive materials. 3734.02.7 A,B	A) Prohibits commingling low-level radioactive waste with ARAR any type of solid, hazardous, or infectious waste. B) No owner or operator of a solid, infectious, or hazardous waste facility shall accept, any radioactive waste for transfer, storage, treatment, or disposal.	Radioactive remedial actions
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Prohibits Open Pertains to any site at which solid generated as part of the Dumping or Burning/ waste has come to be located or will subject to this 3734.03 be generated during a remedial  action.	Prohibits open burning or open dumping of solid waste or ARAR treated or untreated infectious waste.	Solid wastes remedy will be requirement.
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Hazardous Waste Pertains to all sites where hazardous is required, remedial Facility Environmental wastes are located and/or where will be coordinated with the Impact/3734.05 hazardous wastes will be treated, (D)(6)(c) stored, or disposed of. May function as siting criteria.	A hazardous waste facility Installation end operation ARAR permit shall not be approved unless the facility is proven to represent the minimum adverse environmental impact considering the state of available technology, the nature and economics of various alternatives, and other pertinent considerations.	While no permit alternatives USEPA and OEPA.
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Regulation Title or Subject/Revised Code Section and Pertinent Paragraph Regulation Application	Regulation Description ARAR	Comments
Hazardous Waste Pertains to all sites at which hazardous,us Siting Criteria/ waste has come to be located end/or 3734.05 (D)(6)(d)(g)(h) at which hazardous will be treated, stored, or disposed of. May function as siting criteria.	(D)(6)(d). A hazardous waste facility installation and ARAR operation permit shall not be approved unless it proves that the facility represents the minimum risk of all of the following: (i) Contamination of ground and surface waters. (ii) Fires or explosions from treatment, storage, or disposal methods. (iii) Accident during transportation. (iv) Impact on public health end safety. (v) Soil contamination.  (D)(6)(g)(h). Prohibits the following location for treatment, storage and disposal of acute hazardous waste: (i) Within 2.000 feet of any residence, school, hospital, jail, or prison. (ii) Any naturally occurring wetland. (iii) Any flood hazard area. (iv) Within any state park or national park or recreation area.	
Conditions for Disposal Pertains to any site where acute available information. only one of Acute Hazardous hazardous waste has come to be of prior to construction of Waste/3734.14.1 located. landfill, beryllium machining wastes, may be determined to be an acute hazardous waste. Currently, there is some question whether such wastes would have been considered off-	Prohibits disposal of acute hazardous waste unless it: ARAR Based on (1) cannot be treated, recycled, or destroyed; (2) has waste disposed been reduced to its lowest level of toxicity; and (3) has the sanitary been completely encapsulated or protected to prevent leaching.	

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Analytical and Pertains both to discharges to surface involving direct discharge will Collection waters as a result of remediation and Procedures/3746-1-03 to any onsite surface waters affected  by site conditions.	Specifies analytical methods and collection procedures for ARAR surface water discharges.	Alternatives  comply.
Water Quality Criteria/ Pertains both to discharges to surface involving direct discharge win 3745-1-07 C waters as a result of remedial action and to any surface waters affected by  site conditions.	Establishes water quality criteria for pollutants that do not ARAR have numerical or narrative criteria identified in Tables 7-1 through 7-15 of this rule.	Alternatives  comply.
Water Use Pertinent if stream or stream segment discharge. Designations for is onsite and is affected by site Southwest Ohio conditions or if remedy includes direct	Establishes water use designations for stream segments ARAR within the Southwest Ohio Tributaries Basin.	Applicable to

Tributaries/3745-1.17  
discharge. Used by DWQPA to

establish waste load allocations.

Water Use	Establishes water use designations for streams segments	
Pertinent if stream or stream segments	ARAR	Alternatives
involving direct discharge will		
Designations for Great	within the Great Miami River Basin.	
is onsite and is affected by site		comply
Miami River13746-1-21		
conditions or if remedy includes direct		

discharge. Used by DWQPA to

establish waste load allocations.

Location/Siting of New	Mandates that groundwater walls be:	
Pertains to all groundwater wells on	ARAR	Will be
applied for new well installation as		
GW Wells/	A) Located and maintained to prevent contaminants from	part of any
the site that either will be installed or		
alternatives.		
3745-9-04 A,B	entering the wall.	
have been installed sam February		
	B) Located to be accessible for cleaning and	
1975. Would pertain during the FS if	maintenance.	
new wells are constructed for		

treatability studies.

Construction of New	Specifies minimum construction requirements for new	
Pertains to all groundwater wells on	ARAR	Will be applied
for new well installation as		
GW Wells/	groundwater wells with regard to elskeg material, casing	part of any
the site that either will be installed or		
alternatives.		
3745-9-05 A1 ,B-H	depth, potable water, annular spaces, use of drive shoe,	
have bean Installed since 15 February	openings to allow water entry, and contaminant entry.	
1975. Would pertain during the FS if		

new wells are constructed for

treatability studies.

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Regulation Title Subject/Revised Code Section and Pertinent Paragraph Regulation Application	Regulation Description ARAR	Comments
Casing Requirements Pertains to all groundwater wells on for new well installation as for New GW Wells/ the site that either will be installed or alternatives. 3745-9-06 A,B,D,E have been installed since 15 February	Establishes specific requirements for well casings, such as ARAR suitable material, diameters, and conditions.	Will be applied part of any
1975. Would pertain during the FS if  new wells are constructed for  treatability studies.		
Surface Design of New Pertains to all groundwater wells on for new well installation as of GW Wells/ the site that either will be installed or alternatives. 3745-9-07 A-F have been installed since 15 February	Establishes specific surface design requirements, such as ARAR height above ground, well vents, and well pumps.	Will be applied part of any
1975. Would pertain during the FS if  new wells are constructed for  treatability studies.		
Start-up and Operation Pertains to all groundwater wells on for new well installation as of GW Wells/ the site that either will be installed or alternatives. 3745-9-08 A,C have been instified since 15 February	Requires disinfection of new wells and use of potable ARAR water for priming pumps.	Will be applied part of any
1975. Would pertain during the FS if  new wefts are constructed for  treatability studies.		
Maintenance and Pertains to all groundwater wells on for new well installation as Operation of GW the site that either will be installed or	Establishes specific maintenance and modification ARAR requirements for casing, pump, end wells in general.	Will be applied part of any

alternatives.  
 Wells/  
 have been installed since 15 February  
 3745-9-09 A-C,D1,E-G  
 1975. Would pertain during the FS if

new wells are constructed for  
 treatability studies.

Abandonment of Test	Following completion of use, wells and te	
Pertains to all groundwater wells on	ARAR	Will be applied
for new well installation as		
Holes and GW Wells/	completely filled with grout or similar material and shall be	part of any
the site that either will be installed or		
alternatives.		
3745-9-10 A,B,C	maintained in compliance of all regulations.	
have been installed since 15 February		
1975.		

"De minisis" air	Provides that an air contaminant source is exempt from	
Pertains to any site emitting air	ARAR	Will be applied
to		
contaminant source	permitting requirements, provided it has the potential to	the potential to
pollutants.		
emit criteria or hazardous		
exemption/	emit no more than 10 pounds per day of criteria	
air pollutants.		
3745-15-05	pollutants or 1 ton per year of hazardous air pollutants.	

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Air Pollution Nuisances Pertains to any site that causes, or may be involved as part of Prohibited/ may reasonably cause, air pollution several of the 3745-15-07 A nuisances. Consider for sites that will	Defines air pollution nuisance as the emission or escape ARAR into the air (from any source) of smoke, ashes, dust, dirt, grime, acids, fumes, gases, vapors, odors, end	Air emissions the treatment in alternatives.

Alternatives involving air	combination of the above that endanger health, safety,	
undergo excavation, demolition, cap		emissions will
be coordinated with	or welfare of the public or cause personal injury or	
installation, methane production,		USEPA and OEPA
to ensure emissions are	property damage. Such nuisances are prohibited.	
incineration, and waste fuel recovery.		within
acceptable limits.		

Emission Restrictions	All emissions of fugitive dust shall be controlled.	
Pertains to sites that may have fugitive	ARAR	Air emissions
may be involved as part of		
for Fugitive Dust/		
emissions (non-attack) of dust.		the treatment
in several of the		
3745-17-08		
Consider for sites that will undergo		alternatives.
Alternatives involving air		
A1 ,A2,B,D		
grading, loading operations,		emissions will
be coordinated with		
demolition, clearing and grubbing, and		USEPA and OEPA
to ensure fugitive dust		
construction.		emissions are
within acceptable limits.		

Open Burning	Open burning without prior authorization from OEPA is	
Pertains to sites within a restricted	ARAR	
Standards in Restricted	prohibited.	
area (within the boundary of a		
Areas/3745-19-03 A-0		
municipality and zone extending		
beyond such municipality).		

Ambient Air Quality	Establish specific air quality standards for carbon	
Pertain to any site that will emit	ARAR	Alternatives
involving air emissions will		
Standards and	monoxide, ozone and non-methane hydrocarbons.	
carbon oxides, ozone, or non-methane		be coordinated
with USEPA and OEPA to		
Guidelines/		
hydrocarbons. Consider for sites that		ensure emissions
are within acceptable		
3745-21-02 A,B,C		
will undergo water treatment,		limits.
incineration, and fuel burning (waste		
fuel recovery).		

Methods of Ambient	Specifies measurement methods to determine ambient air	
Pertains to any site that will emit	ARAR	Alternatives
involving air emissions will		
Air Quality	quality for carbon monoxide, ozone, and non-methane	



carbon monoxide, ozone, or non-		be coordinated
with USEPA and OEPA to		
Measurement/	hydrocarbons.	
methane hydrocarbons. Consider for		ensure emissions
are within acceptable		
3745-21-03 B,C,D		
sites where treatment systems will		limits.
result in air emissions.		
Non-degradation	Prohibits significant and avoidable deterioration of air	
Pertains to any site that will emit	ARAR	Alternatives
involving air emissions will		
Policy/3745-21-05	quality.	
carbon oxides end non-methane		be coordinated
with USEPA end OEPA to		
hydrocarbons. Consider for sites that		ensure emissions
me within acceptable		
will undergo water treatment,		
limits.		
incineration, and fuel burning (waste		
full recovery).		

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Organic Materials	Requires control of emissions of organic materials from	
Pertains to any site that is emitting or	ARAR	Alternatives
involving air emissions will		
Emission Control;	stationary sources and best a available technology.	
will emit organic material. Consider for		be coordinated
with USEPA and OEPA to		
Stationary Sources/		
sites that will undergo water		ensure organic
materials emissions we		
3745-21-07 A,B,G,I,J		
treatment, incineration, and fuel		within
acceptable limits.		
burning (waste fuel recovery).		

VOC Emissions	Establishes limitations for emissions of VOCe from	
Pertains to any site that is emitting or	ARAR	Alternatives
involving air emissions will		
Control: Stationary	stationery sources.	
will emit VOCs. Consider for sites that		be coordinated
with USEPA end OEPA to		
Sources/3745-21-09		
will undergo water treatment.		ensure VOC
emissions are within		
acceptable limits.		

Exemptions to Solid	Defines exemptions to solid waste regulations and	
Pertains to any site where solid waste	ARAR	Will be applied
to any alternative that		
Waste Regulations/	establishes limitations on temporary storage of putrescible	
will be managed. Consider especially		involves
generation of solid wastes.		
3745-27-03 B	waste or any solid waste that causes e nuisance or health	
for old landfills where solid waste may	hazard. Storage of putrescible waste beyond 7 days is	
be excavated and/or consolidated.	considered open dumping.	

Authorized, Limited	Establishes allowable methods of solid wests disposal:	
Pertains to any site where solid wastes	ARAR	Will be applied
to any alternative that		
and Prohibited Solid	sanitary landfill, incineration, composting.	Prohibits
will be managed. Prohibits		involves
generation of solid wastes.		
Waste Disposal/	management by open burning and open dumping.	None of the
management by open burning and		
alternatives involve open		
3745-27-05 A,B,C		
open dumping.		burning or open
dumping.		

Sanitary Landfill -	Groundwater monitoring program must be established for	
Pertains to any new solid waste facility	ARAR	Groundwater
monitoring is contemplated		
Ground Water	all sanitary landfill facilities. The system must consist of	
and any expansions of existing solid		as an element of
the remedy.		
Monitoring/	sufficient number of wells that are located as that	
waste landfills offsite. Also may		
3745-27-1 0 B-D	samples indicate both upgradient (background) and	
pertain to existing areas of		
	downgradient water samples. The system must be	
contamination that are capped in-place	designed per the minimum requirements specified in this	
per the solid waste rules.	rule. The sampling and analysis procedures used must	
	comply with this rule.	

Disturbances Where	Prohibits any filling, grading, excavating, building,	
drilling,	Pertains to say site where hazardous	ARAR
The RD/RA Work Plan will comply with		

Hazardous or Solid or solid waste has been managed, requirement. Waste Facility Was either intentionally or otherwise. Does Operated/ not pertain to areas that have had one- 3745-27-13 C time leaks or spills.	or mining on land where a hazardous waste facility or this solid waste facility was operated without prior authorization from the director of the USEPA. Special terms to conduct such activities may be imposed by the director to protect the public and the environment.
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Post-Closure Care of Substantive requirements pertain to existing closed sanitary Sanitary Landfill newly created solid waste landfills conditions will be included in all Facilities/ onsite, expansions of existing solid action alternative and 3745-27-14 A waste landfills onsite, and existing modifications/repairs win be  areas of contamination that are capped  per the solid waste rules.	Specifies the required post-closure care for solid waste ARAR facilities. Includes continuing operation of surface water management systems, maintenance cap system, and groundwater monitoring.          ARAR	Evaluation of leachate and landfill of the but the no-  necessary  made.
Water/Air Permit Pertains to any site that will discharge involving onsite water Criteria for Decision by to onsite surface water or will emit comply. Air emissions may the Director/ contaminants into the air. part of the treatment in 3745-31-05 several of the alternatives.	A permit to install or plans must demonstrate best ARAR available technology end shall not interfere with or prevent the attainment or maintenance of applicable ambient air quality standards. Alternatives	Alternatives discharge will be involved as

involving air emissions will be coordinated

with USEPA and OEPA to ensure

emissions are within acceptable limits.

Evaluation of Wastes/ Pertains to sites where wastes of any generated during 3745-52-11 A-D type (both solid and hazardous) are implementation of located. will be evaluated to  determine if it is identifiable as a  hazardous waste, or if it is sufficiently  similar to a hazardous waste that  hazardous waste management standards  should be applied.	Any person generating a waste must determine if that ARAR Any materials waste is a hazardous waste (either through listing or by construction or characteristic).  remedial actions
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Prohibition of Pertains to all sites located adjacent to Nuisances/3767.14 lakes, streams, or drains.	Prohibition against throwing refuse, oil, or filth into lakes. ARAR streams, or tirelee.
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Acts of Pollution Pertains to any site that has of the substantive Prohibited/6111.04 contaminated onsite surface water or state water requirements as  groundwater of will have a discharge required by Section 121 (d) of  to onsite surface water or  groundwater.	Pollution of waters of the state is prohibited. ARAR Implementation  provisions of  ARARs is  CERCLA.
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Rules Requiring Pertains to any site that will have a involving onsite discharge Compliance with point source discharge. National Effluent Stds/ 6111.04.2	Establishes regulations requiring compliance with national ARAR Alternatives effluent standards.  will comply.
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Water Pollution Control Pertains to any site that has of the substantive Requirements- contaminated groundwater or surface state water requirements as Duty to water or will have discharge to required by Section Comply/6111.07 A,C onsite surface or groundwater.	Prohibits failure to comply with requirements of sections ARAR 6111.01 to 6111.08 or any rules, permit, or order issued under those sections.	Implementation provisions of ARARs is CERCLA.
OEPA Policy #DSW- Establishes guidelines for the disposal addresses short-term DERR 0100.027 of wastewaters, of both short-and tests end treatability long-term discharge categories, term discharges (interim resulting from cleanup response action actions). This policy sites contaminated with VOCs, and the guidelines for achievement of operating interface between the for specific VOC involved OEPA divisions. For utilizing BATT/BADCT for discharges to surface water or storm compounds. BATT/BADCT sewers, the Best Available Treatment stripping, carbon columns. Technology/Best Available equivalent to achieve the 5 Demonstrated Control Technology (BATT/BADCT) must be applied to	National Pollution Discharge Elimination System: TBC, Wastewater Discharges Resulting from Clean-up of Not ARAR Response Action Sites Contaminated with VOCs.	This policy discharges (pump tests) and long- and remedial provides less than 5 µg/L parameters by those consists of air or both or µg/L or less.

achieve 5/µg/L or less for each VOC

parameter listed.

ARAR - applicable or relevant and appropriate requirement

CERCLA - Comprehensive Environmental Response, Compensation, and Liability Act

DWQPA - Department of Water Quality Planning and Assessment

FS - feasibility study

µg/L - micrograms per liter

OEPA - Ohio Environmental Protection Agency

ORC - Ohio Revised Code

TBC - to O be considered

USEPA - U.S. Environmental Protection Agency

VOC - volatile organic compound

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Action Citation	Requirement ARAR	Comments	Prerequisite
Discharge of 40 CFR 122.44(a) Treatment discharges to surface waters System Effluent will comply.	Best Available Technology: ARAR Use of best available technology economically achievable is required  to control toxic and nonconventional pollutants. Use of best conventional pollutant control technology is required to control conventional pollutants. Technology-based limitations may be determined on a case-by-case basis.	Alternatives involving	Point source discharge to waters of the United States.
40 CFR 122.44 and state regulations approved under 40 CFR 131 will comply.	Water Quality Standards: Must comply with applicable federally approved state water  quality standards. Whole standards may be in addition to or more stringent than other federal standards under the CWA.	Alternatives involving	discharges to surface waters
40 CFR 122.44 9(o)	Discharge limitation must be established at more stringent levels  than technology-based standards for		

toxic pollutants.

Best Management Practices:  
Develop and implement a best management practices program to prevent the release of toxic constituents to surface waters.

The best management practices program must:

40 CFR 125.104

- Establish specific procedures for the control of toxic and hazardous pollutant spills.
- Include prediction of direction, rate of flow, and total quantity of toxic pollutants where experience indicates a reasonable potential for equipment failure.
- Ensure proper management of solid and hazardous waste in accordance with regulations promulgated under RCRA.

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Action Citation	Requirement ARAR	Comments	Prerequisite
Discharge of 40 CFR 122.41(i) Treatment System Effluent (cont.)	Management Requirements:  Discharge must be monitored to ensure compliance. Discharge will monitor:		
40 CFR 136.1-136.4	<ul style="list-style-type: none"><li>- The mass of each pollutant.</li><li>- The volume of effluent.</li><li>- Frequency of discharge and other measurements as appropriate.</li></ul>		
40 CFR 122.41 (i)			

Approved test methods for waste constituent to be monitored must be followed. Detailed requirements for analytical procedures and quality controls are provided.

Comply with additional substantive conditions such as:

- Duty to mitigate any adverse effects of any discharge.
- Proper operation and maintenance of treatment systems.

40 CFR 268 (Subpart D)	Movement of excavated materials to new location and placement in or on land will trigger and disposal restrictions for the excavated waste or closure requirements for the unit in which the waste is being placed. The area from which materials are excavated may require cleanup to levels established by closure requirements.	Materials containing RCRA hazardous wastes subject to land disposal restrictions are placed in another unit.
See Closure in this		RCRA hazardous waste placed at site after the effective date of the requirements.
Discharge to 40 CFR 122 Storm Sewers 40 CFR 125 will comply.	Requires storm water discharges to ARAR be permitted under the federal (or state) NPDES program. Different requirements are applicable for different classes and types of discharges.	Protection of surface waters Alternatives involving onsite against degradation resulting from site discharges.

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Action Citation	Requirement ARAR	Comments	Prerequisite
Discharge of 40 CFR 122 and Water into	An NPDES permit is required for ARAR discharging water offsite into surface	Protection of surface waters Alternatives involving onsite against degradation resulting	



40 CFR 125 discharge will comply.  
Surface Water water bodies. from site discharges.  
Bodies  
All surface water discharges must be  
in compliance with promulgated Ohio  
Stream Discharge Standards

ARAR - applicable or relevant and appropriate requirement  
CWA - Clean Water Act  
NPDES - National Pollutant Discharge Elimination System  
RCRA - Resource Conservation and Recovery Act

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#### ATTACHMENT C

##### COMMUNITY RELATIONS ACTIVITIES FOR OU 1, AREA B

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Environmental  
Restoration  
Program Ken Hacker, Manager

September 1994

Addresses possible volatile  
organic chemical contamina-  
tion of the portion of the Buried  
Valley Aquifer which underlies  
the southwest corner of the  
original Mound Plant.

OU1 covers four acres and  
includes an historic landfill, the  
site sanitary landfill and an  
overflow pond.

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The main concerns at this site  
are volatile organic compounds  
that may be migrating into the

groundwater. It is believed that such contamination originates from the historic landfill site that was formerly used for open burning and waste disposal.

#### PURPOSE

Determine possible contamination of the Buried Valley Aquifer from

- historic landfill containing:
  - Mound Plant used this area as burn area to dispose of solid and liquid wastes
  - Empty crushed thorium drums burial in this area in 1955 and 1956
- sanitary landfill
  - Built in 1977 with materials excavated during construction of overflow pond
  - Constructed over site of encapsulated waste relocated from historic landfill
- overflow pond (stormwater retention pond)

Gather enough information from this area to determine if a cleanup is necessary and, if so how best to proceed with the remedial action.

#### PRIMARY CONTAMINANTS OF CONCERN

Volatile organic compounds (VOCs)

#### WORK SCOPE

Determine by use of soil sampling, soil gas surveys and hydrogeology surveys, whether contaminants found in Area B are being carded off-site through groundwater.

#### PROGRESS TO DATE

Subsurface soil sampling and soil gas sampling to identify contaminants in the soil, August-December, 1992

Installation of 27 monitoring wells and piezometers. October-March, 1993

Aquifer pump test conducted using newly-installed and existing Test wells to characterize groundwater flow in the immediate vicinity of Area B. May-June, 1993

Fieldwork for RI/FS complete after aquifer pump test

#### DOCUMENTS IN PUBLIC REPOSITORY OF 1994

History of Area B (February, 1991)  
be complete in calendar year 1994  
Proposal for Additional Work (September, 1992)  
of Decision (ROD)  
Remedial Investigation Report (RI) (July, 1994)

#### SCHEDULE FOR REMAINDER

FSR/Proposed Plan to  
Begin work on Record

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#### FUTURE SCHEDULE MILESTONES (Fully Funded)

FY95 Prepare Feasibility Study/prepare Proposed Plan  
work on Remedial Design  
Complete FSR/PP

FY96: Begin

Complete Record of Decision (ROD)  
Begin work on RD/RA Work Plan

For more information, contact: EG&G Mound Community Relations at (513) 865-4140

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#### MOUND

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Environmental                      Ken Hacker, Manager  
Restoration                        FACT SHEET  
Program

November 1994

#### DOE Issues a Proposed Plan

Operable Unit 1 (OU1). Area B. of the Mound Plant occupies approximately four acres the southwestern portion of the plant site. This area of the plant is located over the eastern side of the Buried Valley Aquifer (BVA) which has been designated as a sole source aquifer by the U.S. EPA. From 1948 to 1977, Mound used Area B, formerly a gravel excavation area, for disposing of general trash and nonradioactive liquid waste. Solid wastes, mostly paper, office and kitchen garbage, were typically placed in a burn cage at Area B and Ignited to reduce their volume; liquid wastes, including solvents, oils, and chemicals were typically dumped or burned. Much of this waste was later relocated and encapsulated in a new site sanitary landfill constructed in 1977. At that time, an overflow pond for stormwater runoff was also constructed, partially covering the historic landfill site. After 1977, waste was no longer disposed of in Area B. Now, testing has revealed that the volatile organic compounds (VOCs) from the Area B historic landfill have migrated through softs and groundwater into a portion of the Buried Valley aquifer beneath the landfill. In addition, tritium was detected in past water samples taken from wells in Area B, although the concentration was below the drinking water maximum contaminant level. Mound studies have shown the source of tritium in the BVA to be contaminated sediments in the Miami-Erie Canal. Thus, the environmental concerns in Area B center on VOCs in the contaminated soils and waste materials contained within the

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area and on the groundwater system directly beneath and adjacent to the Mound site. The contaminated groundwater in OU1 is a concern at the site because of the potential for directly ingesting contaminants through drinking water and the possible offsite migration of the VOC-contaminated portion of the aquifer.

#### Remedial Investigation and Feasibility Study Completed

To address VOC soil and water contamination concerns in Area B, a baseline risk assessment was done, followed by a remedial investigation and feasibility study (RI/FS). The baseline risk assessment was structure to address future public health risks, assuming no remedial actions were undo-taken. The study focused on exposure of hypothetical future residents and site workers to soft and groundwater contamination through inhalation, incidental ingestion, external exposure to radiation emitted from radionuclides in the soil, and skin contact with the soft. Ingestion and inhalation contribute almost all of the risk, and groundwater is the most important exposure medium. Because groundwater would contribute most of the carcinogenic and noncarcinogenic risks to future residents or workers, it is the focus of the remedial efforts to reduce the overall risk.

The (RI/FS) aimed seven alternatives for protecting human health and the environment while achieving the remedial goals. All seven of the alternatives include several common components. Each alternative includes surface controls, such as grading and lining existing ditches to manage runoff and runoff; institutional controls, such as fencing and access restrictions to limit access to the site; and long-term groundwater monitoring. Each of the alternatives is discussed in the "Operable Unit 1 Proposed Plan." This and other documents on OU1 are available to the public in the CERCLA Reading Room at the Miamisburg Senior Adult Center.

#### WHAT ARE VOLATILE ORGANIC COMPOUNDS? VOC-contaminated soils

treatment, and disposal. Readers of Superfund Update may recall the feature article on volatile protective of both the organic compounds (VOCs) in the aquifer. The action would January/February 1994 issue. VOCs beneath the Operable compromise a wide array of everyday

#### The Preferred Alternative

The preferred alternative for cleaning up the and groundwater at OU1 combines collection, Because this alternative reduces the toxicity nated water and controls its migration, it is Mound Plant well field and the Buried Valley effectively capture contaminated groundwater Unit 1 site for treatment before it migrates

offsite. Treatment methods chemicals. From gasoline, anti-oxidation treatment, cascade freeze; and pesticide sprays, to A final selection of treatment paints, glues, and waxes-VOCs are public comment period found in household and industrial current information, the products all around us. Though Environmental Protection indispensable to modern life, VOCs site after the public comment can pose some significant hazards. during this time will And because they are so common, they often turn up as contaminants in the environment. VOCs evaporate readily and so can quickly fill an enclosed space with noxious and dangerous fumes. They do not dissolve easily in water and so pose water contamination problems when they find their way to lakes, rivers, and streams. Long-term exposure to low concentrations can affect the liver, kidneys, heart, blood, reproductive organs, and nervous system. Some VOCs, such as benzene, are known to cause cancer. VOCs are released into the environment through evaporation, accidental spills, leaks, or inadequate disposal methods. Drinking VOC-contaminated water, inhaling evaporated VOCs, or absorbing VOCs through skin contact are the main exposure routes for humans.

The CERCLA statute currently considers 33 VOCs to be hazardous substances that may pose a potential hazard to human health or the environment if improperly treated, stored, transported, or disposed. At Mound, VOCs have been used in the past to clean or degrease metal parts, tools, molds, and other equipment. Among those in common use were acetone, benzene, chloroform, freon, and toluene.

If VOCs are discovered in soil or water in concentrations above federal or state standards, environmental laws such as CERCLA require cleanup action. There are a number of remedies for handling VOC contamination in soil and the Proposed Plan, at

for VOCs they could include ultraviolet (UV) cascade aeration, or conventional air stripping. Treatment technologies will be done following the during the remedial design phase. Based on DOE, in consultation with the U.S. and Ohio Agencies, will select a final remedy for the period has ended and the information submitted have been reviewed and considered.

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Soil Sampling at Operable Unit 1

#### PUBLIC COMMENT PERIOD

Beginning November 15, 1994, and continuing 1994, the Department of Energy is accepting Proposed Plan for Operable Unit 1.

The public is invited, and encouraged to review

groundwater. Contaminated soils  
Senior Adult Center,  
can be covered with caps to elim-  
inate potential exposure routes;  
excavated soil may be transported to  
a landfill or incinerator for disposal;  
soils may be treated in place by soil  
vapor extraction; VOC-contaminated  
groundwater may be pumped out for  
treatment and discharge.

hearing for OUI on  
Miamisburg Civic  
Miamisburg, Ohio.

For more information, contact: EG&G Mound Community Relations at (513) 865-4140.

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Operable Unit 1/Area B

Hacker, Manager  
FACT SHEET #2

December 1994

#### Proposed Plan Supplementary Information

Based on official Public Comments received  
available technology for  
at the December 8, 1994, Public Meeting for  
State of Ohio believes  
Operable Unit 1 Proposed Plan, a question  
not meet those re-  
was raised concerning Table 1 on page 9 of  
the Proposed Plan. The question concerned  
the apparent similarity of Alternatives 3 and  
primary evaluation  
4 with the exception of maximum total cost.  
CFR 300. This law  
The attachment clarifies Table 1 by sum-  
"modifying criteria"  
marizing the reduction of taxicity, mobility or  
acceptance and (2) corn-  
volume of contaminants that each Alter-  
on the States  
native addresses.  
Alternative 4 was

the CERCLA Public Reading Room, Miamisburg  
305 Central Avenue, Miamisburg, Ohio.

Comments can be sent in writing to:  
Jolene Walker  
EG&G Mound Community Relations  
P.O. Box 3000, OSE-245  
Miamisburg, Ohio 4543-3000

The public can also give comments at a public  
Thursday, December 8, 1994, at 7:00 p.m. in the  
Center Council Chambers, 10 N. First Street,

treated with best  
toxicity reduction. The  
that Alternative 3 does  
requirements.  
Table 1 identifies the 7  
criteria required by 40  
also gives 2 additional  
which are (1) state  
munity acceptance. Based  
position on Alternative 3,  
chosen as the preferred

alternative. The final

Alternative 3 meets the mobility and volume

evaluation of com-

reduction statutory preference for selecting

public corn-

remedial actions (page 4-10 of the Operable

Unit 1 Feasibility Study). It does not address

toxicity reduction, which is also a statutory

comply with ARARs

preference for selecting remedial actions.

protection of human

Therefore, DOE in consultation with U.S.

environment. These alterna-

EPA and Ohio EPA, has determined that

identified in Table 1 of the

Alternative 4, which includes treatment to

the text on page 8

reduce toxicity, is preferable. The reduction

incorrectly stated that

of toxicity, mobility or volume for Alternative

ARARs.

4 is explained on page 4-14 of the Operable

Unit 1 Feasibility Study.

the Proposed Plan

preferred option for clean-

Guidance from the Ohio Environmental Pro-

Operable Unit 1. A

tection Agency states that waste water

of the alternatives

discharges resulting from cleanup of res-

Operable Unit 1 Feasibility

ponse action sites contaminated with volatile

organic compounds (VOCs) need to be

decision will also include

muntty acceptance based on

merits received.

Alternatives 3 through g

and achieve adequate

health and the

tives are correctly

Proposed Plan, however,

of the Proposed Plan

all alternatives met

Please keep in mind that

only identifies the

up of contamination of

more detailed description

is provided in the

Study.

Public Comment Period

The public comment period for the Proposed Plan has been extended to January 31, 1995.

The public is invited, and encouraged, to review the Proposed Plan. Feasibility Study,

and Supplementary Information, at the DOE Public Reading Room, Miamisburg Senior Adult Center, 305 Central Ave., Miamisburg, Ohio. For questions or comments, contact EG&G Community Relations at (513) 865-4140.

Table 1. Summary of Remedial Action Alternative Comparison

Protects				
Human		Complies		
Health and		With	Short-term	Long-term
the	Reduces			

Alternative Environment	Short Title TMV	ARARs Implementability	Effectiveness Total Cost	Effectiveness
1 No	No Action No	No Easy	No \$ 0	No
2 No	Institutional No	No Easy	No \$ 3,980,000	No
3 Adequate MV	Collect/ Yes Disposal	Yes Less Difficult	Adequatea \$262,000ø	Yes
4 Adequate TMV	Collect/Treat/ Yes Disposal	Yes Less Difficult	Adequatea \$ 1,740,000ø	Yes
5 Adequate TMV	Collect/Treat/ Yes Disposal/Cap	Yes Less Difficult	Adequateb \$ 2,390,000ø	Yes
6 Adequate TMV	Contain/Collect/ Yes Treat/Disposal/ Difficult	Yes Moderately	Adequateb \$ 2,650,000ø	Yes
7 Adequate TMV	Contain/Collect/ Yes Treat/Disposal/ Difficult Cap	Yes Moderately	Adequateb \$ 3,300,000ø	Yes
8 Adequate TMV	In-situ GW Yes Treatment	Yes More Difficult	Adequateb \$ 1,980,000ø	Yes
9 Adequate TMV	In-situ GW Yes Treatment/Cap	Yes More Difficult	Adequateb \$ 2,630,000ø	Yes

aQuicker implementation when compared to other alternatives.

bLonger construction time when compared to other alternatives.

øThis Total Cost is in addition to the Total Cost shown for Alternative 2 (common cost).

ARARs - Applicable or relevant and appropriate requirements.

TMV - Toxicity, Mobility, or Volume.



# ***MOUND PLANT (USDOE)***

## **Site Information:**

**Site Name:** MOUND PLANT (USDOE)  
**Address:** MIAMISBURG, OH  
  
**EPA ID:** OH6890008984  
**EPA Region:** 05

## **Record of Decision (ROD):**

**ROD Date:** 07/22/1999  
**Operable Unit:** 11  
**ROD ID:** EPA/541/R-99/110

**Media:** Groundwater, Soil

**Contaminant:** Base Neutral Acids, Dioxins/Dibenzofurans, Inorganics, Metals, PAH, Pesticides, Radioactive, VOC

**Abstract:** Please note that the text in this document summarizes the Record of Decision for the purposes of facilitating searching and retrieving key text on the ROD. It is not the officially approved abstract drafted by the EPA Regional offices. Once EPA Headquarters receives the official abstract, this text will be replaced.

The Mound Plant Site was placed on the CERCLA National Priorities List (NPL) in 1989. The Department of Energy (DOE) signed a CERCLA Section 120 Federal Facility Agreement with the USEPA, effective October 1990. A similar tripartite agreement was signed among the DOE, USEPA, and Ohio Environmental Protection Agency (OEPA) in 1993. The Operable Unit 1 (OU1) Remedial Investigation/Feasibility Study (RI/FS) was conducted between 1991 and 1994 to identify the types, quantities, and locations of contaminants and to develop ways of addressing the contamination problems.

The DOE Mound Plant is located within the city limits of Miamisburg, in Southern Montgomery County, Ohio. The site is approximately 10 miles south-southwest of Dayton and 45 miles north of Cincinnati. Miamisburg is predominantly a residential community with supportive commercial facilities and industrial development. The adjacent upland areas are used primarily for

residences and agriculture or are unused open spaces.

The Mound property is divided into 19 "release blocks," which are contiguous tracts of property designated for transfer of ownership. These 19 release blocks may be reconfigured to accommodate transfer of Mound property for economic development. As a result of historic disposal practices and contaminant releases to the environment, the Mound Plant was placed on the National Priorities List in November, 1989. The Department of Energy (DOE) signed a Comprehensive Environmental Response Compensation and Liability Act (CERCLA) Federal Facility Agreement with US EPA, effective October 1990. DOE serves as the lead agency for CERCLA-related activities at this site.

Operable Unit (OU) 11:

OU 11 is Release Block (RB) H which is located in the northeast corner of the developed area of the plant. RB H is generally bound to the south by the main plant entrance, to the east by an offsite community golf course, to the north by off-site residents, and to the west by a fenced parking lot. There are no structures in RB H. RB H includes one Potential Release Site (PRS) that has undergone previous investigation. Before transfer of a release block can be completed, all buildings and PRSs must be evaluated for protectiveness to human health and the environment for industrial reuse or remediated to be protective.

A Record of Decision addressing OU 11 was completed in July, 1999.

Release Block (RB) D is located in the southeast corner of the developed area of the plant. RB D is bound to the south by the undeveloped portion of the Mound Plant (the "South Property"), to the east by offsite residences, to the north by a parking lot and group of small buildings, and to the west by a fenced area for storage of Investigative Derived Materials (IDM).

A Record of Decision addressing RB D was completed in February, 1999.

**Remedy:**

The selected remedy for release block (RB) H is institutional controls in the form of deed restrictions on future land use. Specifically, the selected remedy includes: ensuring that industrial land use is maintained; prohibiting the use of bedrock groundwater; providing site access for federal and state agencies for the purpose of taking response actions including sampling and monitoring; and prohibiting removal of release block H soils from the Department of Energy (DOE) Mound property boundary without approval of the State, or their successor agencies. DOE, as the lead agency, has the responsibility to monitor, maintain and enforce these institutional controls. This responsibility includes the duty to conduct annual assessments of compliance with deed restrictions and the duty to enforce the deed restrictions if any non-compliance is detected.

The soils within RB H have not been evaluated for any use other than on-site industrial use. Any off-site disposition of the RB H soil without proper handling, sampling, and management could create an unacceptable risk to off-site receptors. An objective of the preferred alternative is to prevent residual exposure to soils from RB H.

Estimated Capital Cost: Not Provided

Estimated Annual O&M Costs: \$5,000

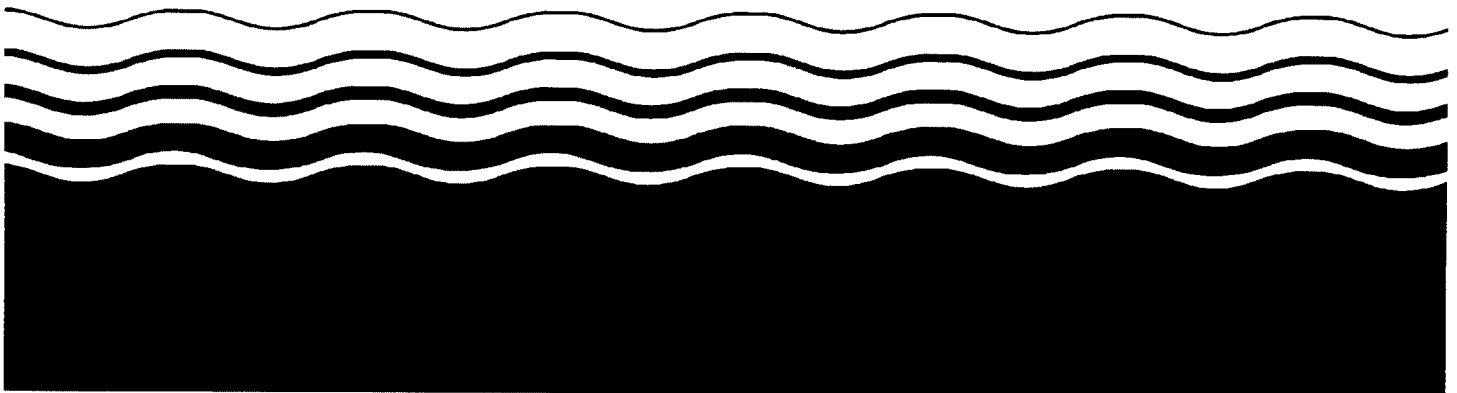
Estimated Present Worth Costs: Not Provided

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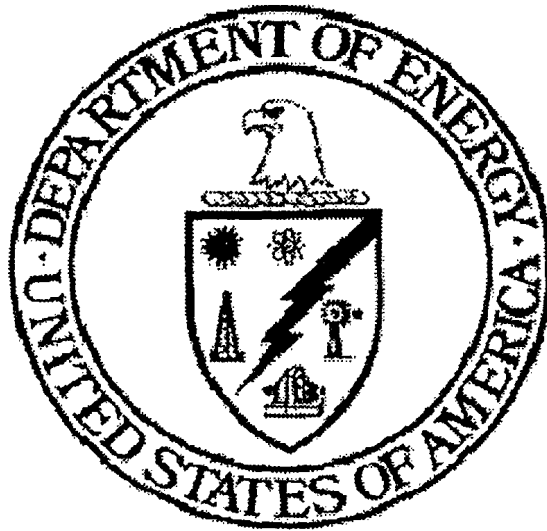
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**Mound Plant (USDOE)  
Release Block H OU 11  
Miamisburg, OH  
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# **Record of Decision for Release Block H, Mound Plant, Miamisburg, Ohio**



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## ACRONYMS

AOC	Area of Concern
ARAR	Applicable or Relevant and Appropriate Requirement
BDP	Building Data Package
BVA	Buried Valley Aquifer
CERCLA	Comprehensive Environmental Response Compensation & Liability Act
COC	Chemical of Concern
DOE	Department of Energy
FFA	Federal Facilities Agreement
FOD	Frequency of Detection
GV	Guideline Value
HEAST	Health Effects Assessment Summary Table
HI	Hazard Index
HQ	Hazard Quotient
IDM	Investigative Derived Material
IRIS	Integrated Risk Information System
MEMP	Miamisburg Environmental Management Project
MMCIC	Miamisburg Mound Community Improvement Corporation
NCP	National Contingency Plan
NFA	No Further Assessment

NPL            National Priority List

**ACRONYMS (continued)**

OAC            Ohio Administrative Code

ODH            Ohio Department of Health

OEPA           Ohio Environmental Protection Agency

O&M           Operations and Maintenance

ORC            Ohio Revised Code

OSC            On-Scene Coordinator

OU             Operable Unit

pci             picocurie

PAH            Polynuclear aromatic hydrocarbon

PETREX        (trade name for a type of soil sampling)

PRS            Potential Release Site

RB             Release Block

RD/RA          Remedial Design/Remedial Action

RI/FS           Remedial Investigation/Feasibility Study

ROD            Record of Decision

RRE            Residual Risk Evaluation

RREM           Residual Risk Evaluation Methodology

SARA           Superfund Amendments and Reauthorization Act

SCM            Site Conceptual Model

SM/PP          Special Metallurgical/Plutonium Processing

US DOE        United States Department of Energy

US EPA        United States Environmental Protection Agency

UTL            Upper Tolerance Limit

## **Record of Decision (ROD) for Release Block H, Mound Plant, Miamisburg, Ohio**

This Record of Decision (ROD) documents the remedy selected for Release Block H of the Mound Plant, Miamisburg, Ohio. The ROD is organized in three sections: a declaration, a decision summary, and a responsiveness summary.

### **1.0 DECLARATION**

This section summarizes the information presented in the ROD and includes the data certification sheet and authorizing signature page.

#### **1.1 Site Name and Location**

The U.S. Department of Energy (US DOE) Mound Plant (CERCLIS ID No. 04935) is located within the City of Miamisburg, in southern Montgomery County, Ohio. The Plant is approximately ten (10) miles southwest of Dayton and 45 miles north of Cincinnati. This ROD addresses Release Block (RB) H which is located in the northeast corner of the developed area of the plant.

#### **1.2 Basis and Purpose**

This decision document presents the selected remedy for Release Block H (RB H) of the Mound Plant. The remedy was chosen in accordance with the Comprehensive Environmental Response, Compensation and Liability Act (CERCLA), as amended by the Superfund Amendments and Reauthorization Act (SARA), and to the extent practicable, the National Contingency Plan (NCP). Information used to select the remedy is contained in the Administrative Record file. The file is available for review at the Mound CERCLA Reading Room, Miamisburg Senior Adult Center, 305 Central Avenue, Miamisburg, Ohio.

The State of Ohio concurs with the selected remedy.

### **1.3 Site Assessment**

As documented in the Residual Risk Evaluation (RRE) for RB H and the Technical Position Report in Support of the RB H RRE, the risks from carcinogens and noncarcinogens to current and future occupants of RB H were evaluated. In those analyses, the type of occupant was limited to an industrial use scenario and was represented by a construction worker and a site employee (office employee). Based on the RRE, the risks for current industrial use are within the acceptable range. However, in order to ensure that future use of the site conforms to the RRE assumptions, it was necessary to consider a remedy that would prevent the site from being used for non-industrial purposes.

As described below, the remedy will protect future occupants of RB H from the threat of contaminants in the groundwater, and will ensure that RB H soils are appropriately evaluated prior to any removal of RB H soils from the Mound Plant National Priority List (NPL) facility boundary.

### **1.4 Description of Selected Remedy**

The selected remedy for RB H is institutional controls in the form of deed restrictions on future land use. DOE or its successors, as the lead agency for this ROD, has the responsibility to monitor, maintain and enforce these institutional controls. In order to maintain protection of human health and the environment at RB H in the future, the institutional controls to be adopted will:

- < Ensure that industrial land use is maintained;
- < Prohibit the use of bedrock ground water;
- < Provide site access for federal and state agencies for the purpose of taking response actions, including sampling and monitoring; and
- < Prohibit removal of RB H soils from the DOE Mound property (as owned in 1998) boundary without approval from the Ohio Department of Health (ODH) and the Ohio Environmental Protection Agency (OEPA), or their successor agencies.

A copy of the deed is attached in Appendix A.

### **1.5 Statutory Determinations**

The selected remedy for RB H is protective of human health and the environment,

complies with Federal and State requirements that are applicable or relevant and appropriate (ARAR), is cost-effective, and utilizes a permanent solution to the maximum extent practicable. Because this remedy will result in hazardous substances remaining in Release Block H above levels that allow for unlimited use and unrestricted exposure, DOE, in consultation with the U.S. Environmental Protection Agency (US EPA), OEPA and ODH, will review the remedial action each year to assure that human health and the environment are being protected by the remedial action being implemented. DOE reserves the right to petition the US EPA, OEPA, and ODH for a modification to the frequency established for conducting the effectiveness reviews.

## **1.6 ROD Data Certification Checklist**


Based on a commitment made by the U.S. Environmental Protection Agency (US EPA) to the General Accounting Office, RODs must contain a checklist which certifies that key information regarding the selection of the remedy has been included in the ROD. Therefore, note that the following information is located in the Decision Summary (Section 2) of this ROD. Additional information on any of these topics can be found in the Administrative Record for Mound.

- chemicals of concern (COCs) and their respective concentrations,
- guideline levels for the COCs;
- risks represented by the COCs;
- current and future land and groundwater use assumptions used in the risk assessment and ROD;
- land and groundwater uses that will be available at the site as a result of the remedy;
- estimated cost of the remedy; and the
- decisive factor(s) that led to the selection of the remedy.

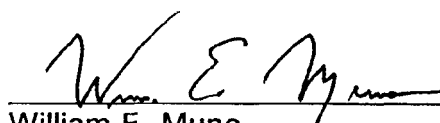
## 1.7 Authorizing Signatures and Support Agency Acceptance

This Record of Decision for Release Block H of the Mound Plant has been prepared by the DOE. Approval of the US EPA and OEPA is required and has been secured as documented below.

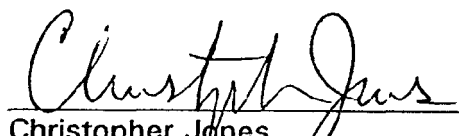
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## **2.0 DECISION SUMMARY**

This section provides an overview of the site and the alternatives evaluated. The selected remedy, and the basis for its selection, are also described.

### **2.1 Site Description**

The DOE Mound Plant (CERCLIS ID No. 04935) is located within the city limits of Miamisburg, in southern Montgomery County, Ohio (Figure 2-1). The Site is approximately ten (10) miles south-southwest of Dayton and 45 miles north of Cincinnati. Miamisburg is predominantly a residential community with supportive commercial facilities and industrial development. The adjacent upland areas are used primarily for residences and agriculture or are unused open spaces.

The Mound property is divided into nineteen "release blocks," which are contiguous tracts of property designated for transfer of ownership. These nineteen release blocks may be reconfigured to accommodate transfer of Mound property for economic development.

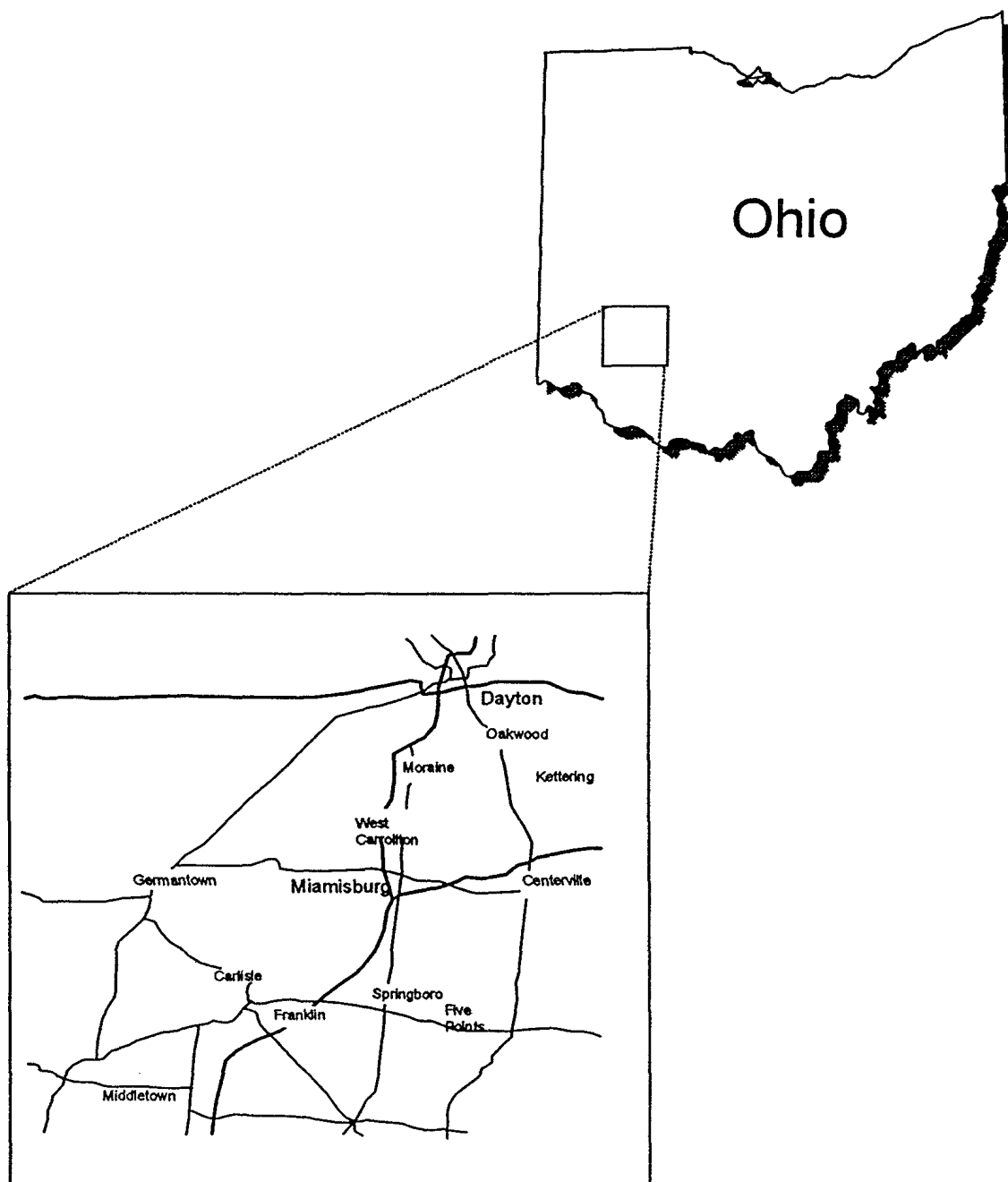
This ROD addresses Release Block (1313) H (Figure 2-2) which is located in the northeast corner of the developed area of the plant. The legal description of RB H is reproduced in Appendix B. RB H is generally bound to the south by the main plant entrance, to the east by an offsite community golf course, to the north by off-site residents, and to the west by a fenced parking lot.

There are no structures in RB H.

### **2.2. Site History and Enforcement Activities**

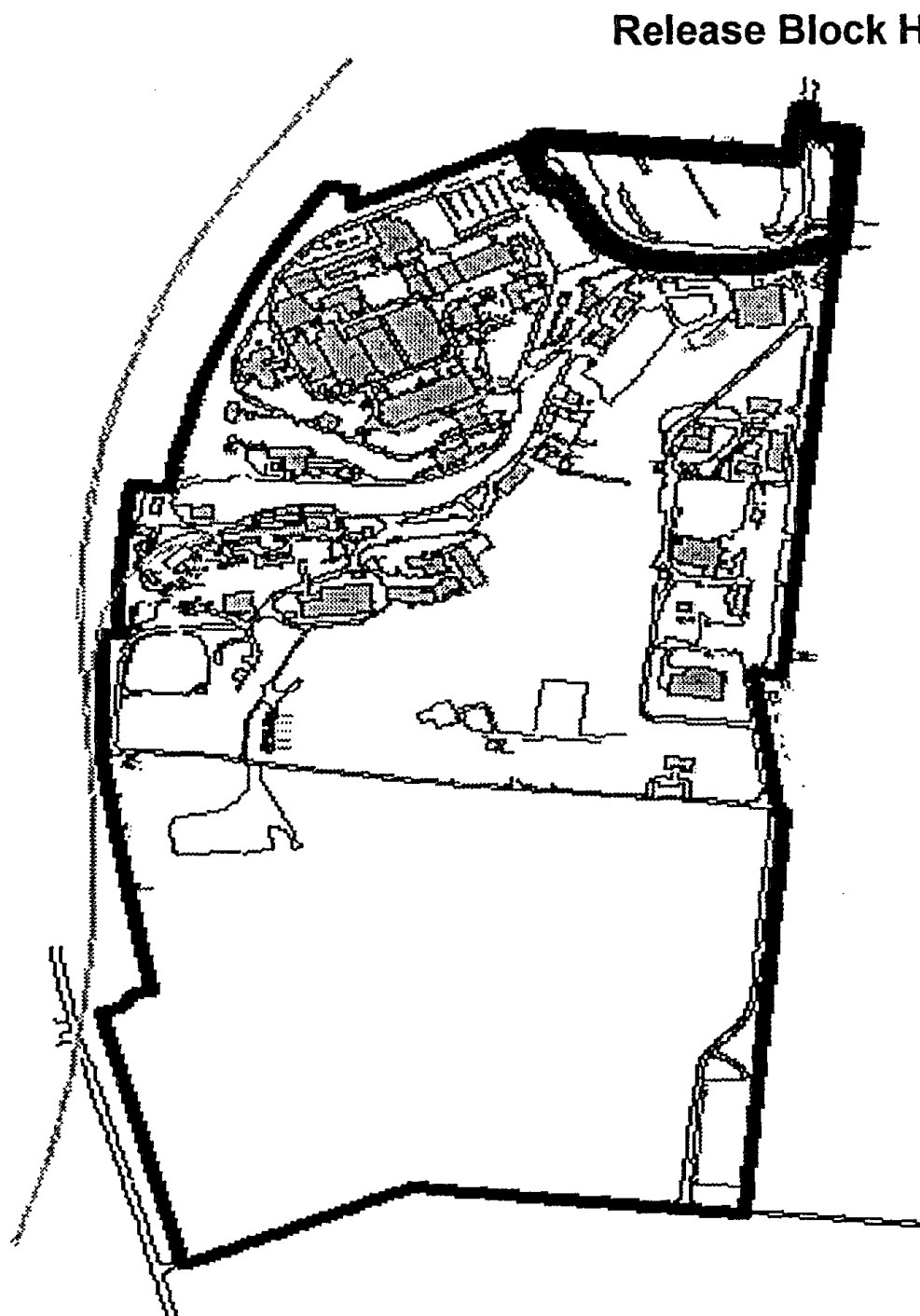
As a result of historic disposal practices and contaminant releases to the environment, the Mound Plant was placed on the National Priorities List (NPL) on November 21, 1989. DOE signed a Comprehensive Environmental Response Compensation and Liability Act (CERCLA) Section 120 Federal Facility Agreement (FFA) with US EPA, effective October 1990. In 1993, this agreement was modified and expanded to include OEPA. DOE serves as the lead agency for CERCLA-related activities at Mound.

**Figure 2-1. Regional Context of the Mound Plant**





**Figure 2-2. Location of Release Block H**



DOE, US EPA, and OEPA had originally planned to address the Plant's environmental restoration issues under a set of Operable Units (OUs), each of which would include a number of Potential Release Sites (PRSs). For each OU, the site would follow the traditional CERCLA process: a Remedial Investigation/Feasibility Study (RI/FS), followed by a Record of Decision (ROD), followed by Remedial Design/Remedial Action (RD/RA). After initiating remedial investigations for several OUs, DOE and its regulators realized during a strategic review in 1995 that, for Mound, the OU approach was inefficient. DOE and its regulators agreed that it would be more appropriate to evaluate each PRS or building separately, use removal action authority to remediate them as needed, and establish a goal for no additional remediation other than institutional controls for the final remedy. To evaluate any residual risk after all removals have been completed, a residual risk evaluation is conducted to ensure the block or parcel is protective of human health for industrial reuse. This process was named the Mound 2000 process. DOE and its regulators pursued this approach with the understanding that US EPA and OEPA reserve all rights to enforce all provisions of the FFA and participation in the Mound 2000 process does not constitute a waiver of US EPA and OEPA rights to enforce the FFA.

The Mound 2000 process established a "core team" consisting of representatives of the Miamisburg Environmental Management Project (MEMP) of DOE, US EPA, and OEPA. The Core Team evaluates each of the potential contamination problems and recommends the appropriate response. The Core Team uses process knowledge, site visits, and existing data to determine whether or not any action is warranted concerning the possible problem area. If a decision cannot be made, the Core Team identifies specific information needed to make a decision (e.g., data collection, investigations). The Core Team also receives input from technical experts as well as the general public and/or public interest groups. Thus, all stakeholders have the opportunity to express their opinions or suggestions involving each potential problem area. The details of this process are explained in the "Workplan for Environmental Restoration at the Mound Plant, The Mound 2000 Approach," December 1998.

"The Mound 2000 Residual Risk Evaluation Methodology (RREM), Mound Plant, Final, Revision , January 6, 1997" was developed as a framework for evaluating human health risks associated with residual levels of contamination. The RREM is applied to a release block once necessary remediation has been completed, and the remaining PRSs or buildings in the release block have been designated as No Further Assessment (NFA). Once these environmental concerns have been adequately addressed by the Core Team, a residual risk evaluation (RRE) is performed. The RRE forms part of the basis for determining what restrictions should be placed on the site.

## 2.3 Community Participation

Opportunities to comment on the No Further Assessment (NFA) decision for PRS 93 and the residual risk documents for RB H were provided. A listing of those opportunities is shown in Table 2-1.

**Table 2-1. Public Comment Periods for Release Block H Documents**

DOCUMENT (PRS/BUILDING)	COMMENT PERIOD (BEGIN)	COMMENT PERIOD (END)
93	3/18/96	4/1/96
RB H Residual Risk Evaluation	4/30/97	6/16/97
Technical Position Report in Support of the Release Block H Residual Risk Evaluation	5/5/99	6/5/99

The Proposed Plan for RB H was made available to the public on May 5, 1999. Copies were distributed to stakeholders and were placed in the Administrative Record file in the CERCLA Public Reading Room, Miamisburg Senior Adult Center, 305 Central Avenue, Miamisburg, Ohio. The notice of the availability of the Plan was published in the ***Miamisburg News*** on May 5, 1999. A public comment period was held from May 5, 1999 through June 5, 1999. In addition, a public meeting was held on May 18, 1999 to present the Proposed Plan. Representatives of DOE, US EPA, and the OEPA were present at the public meeting to answer questions regarding the proposed remedy. Responses to comments received during the comment period and public meeting are included in the Responsiveness Summary, which is Section 3 of this ROD.

## 2.4 Scope and Role of RB H

RB H lies within what was once called Operable Unit 2 (OU2). RB H includes one Potential Release Site (PRS) that has undergone previous investigation. Before transfer of a release block can be completed, all buildings and PRSs must be evaluated for protectiveness to human health and the environment for industrial reuse or remediated to be protective. Any residual risks associated with remaining

contamination in RB H have been evaluated and presented in the RB H Residual Risk Evaluation (RRE) (August, 1997) and its supplement "Technical Position Report in Support of the Release Block H Residual Risk Evaluation, April, 1999."

The PRS in RB H was identified on the basis of actual measurements of contaminants. The location of the PRS within RB H is shown in Figure 2-3; its description appears in Table 2-2. As shown in Table 2-2, the PRS was determined by the Core Team to require no further assessment, although sampling and monitoring of the seep at PRS 93 will continue.

## **2.5 Site Characteristics**

### **2.5.1 Geologic Setting**

The bedrock section beneath Mound Plant consists of thin, nearly flat-lying beds of alternating shale and limestone of the Richmond Stage of the Cincinnati Group (Upper Ordovician -- about 450 million years ago). The Cincinnati Group is present at the surface at Mound Plant and underlies RB H. The limestone beds range from 2 to 6 inches in thickness and the shale layers are commonly 5 to 8 feet thick.

Pleistocene age (less than about 2 million years old) glacial deposits at Mound Plant include both till and outwash deposits. The till in the area of Mound Plant is composed of an unsorted, unstratified mixture of clay, silt, sand, and coarser material. Water-lain deposits consist of outwash composed of well-sorted sand and gravel. The sand and gravel is horizontally layered, and commonly cross-bedded. The outwash in the vicinity of Mound Plant occurs as restricted valley-train deposits that were formed by the aggregation of glacial meltwater streams. The outwash deposited in the Miami River Valley and the associated tributary valley forms the Buried Valley Aquifer (BVA) and contiguous deposits. A general discussion of the geology is presented in the "Remedial Investigation/Feasibility Study, Operable Unit 9, Site-Wide Work Plan, Final, May 1992."

### **2.5.2 Hydrogeologic Setting**

There are two hydrogeologic regimes at Mound Plant: flow through the bedrock beneath the Main Hill and the Special Metallurgical/Plutonium Processing (SM/PP) Hill, and flow within the unconsolidated glacial deposits and alluvium associated with the BVA in the Great Miami River Valley and the tributary valley between the Main Hill

and SM/PP Hill. The BVA is a US EPA-designated sole source aquifer. The bedrock system, an interbedded sequence of shale and limestone, is dominated by fracture flow especially in the upper portions of the bedrock. Groundwater movement within the till and sand and gravel, within the buried valley, is through porous media. Groundwater flow from Mound Plant is generally to the west and southwest toward the BVA of the Great Miami River Valley. A discussion of the hydrogeology of Mound is presented in the OU9 Work Plan and the "Operable Unit 9; Hydrogeologic Investigation: Buried Valley Aquifer Report, Technical Memorandum, Revision 1 (September 1994)" and "Operable Unit 9 Hydrogeologic Investigation: Bedrock Report, Technical Memorandum, Revision (January 1994)."

### **2.5.3 Available Data for Release Block H**

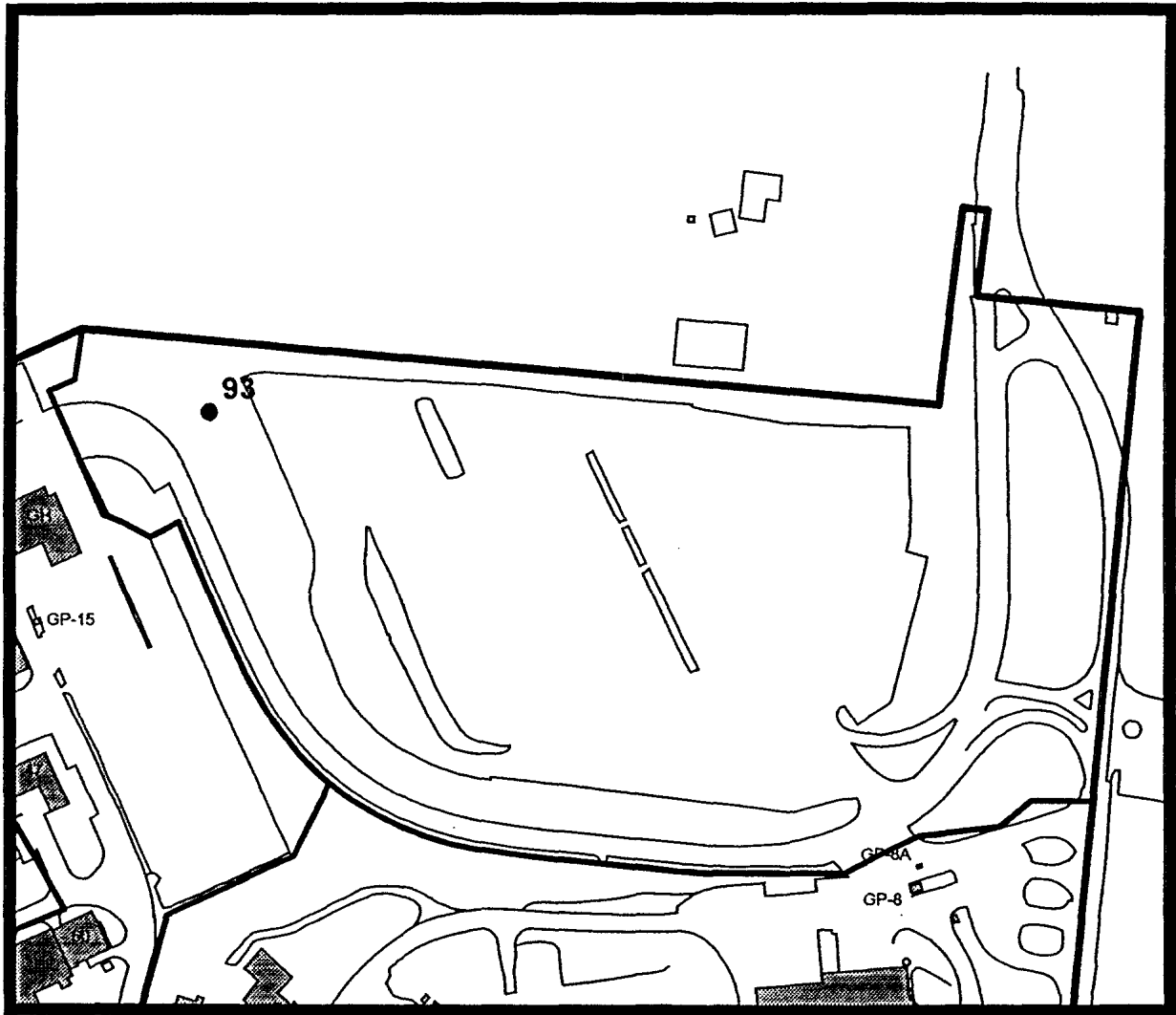
The PRS within RB H has been evaluated by the Core Team. The following sections discuss the data relevant to RB H that are available from the general source documents and the Potential Release Site package.

#### **2.5.3.1 Background Data**

**Soils.** Background concentrations measure the amount of a chemical that is naturally occurring (like metals) or anthropogenic (man-made but, for purposes of evaluating background, originating from sources other than the Mound Plant). Background concentrations are used as a screening tool to determine which contaminants should be carried through a risk evaluation as described in Section 2.7 of the ROD. Regional background concentrations in soil were determined during investigations conducted in September 1994 and August 1995 and are documented in reports titled "Operable Unit 9 Background Soils Investigation Soil Chemistry Report" and "Operable Unit 9, Regional Soils Investigation Report."

**Groundwater.** Background concentrations for groundwater were developed from two sources of data. For the Buried Valley Aquifer, background values were reported in the April 1995 "OU9 Hydrologic Investigation: Groundwater Sweeps Report." Background concentrations for bedrock groundwater' were reported in the April 1995 "OU5 New Property Remedial Investigation Report."

**Figure 2-3. Location of PRS within RB H**



**Table 2-2. Release Block H PRS and Core Team Conclusions**

PRS/ BLDG	Reason for Identification	Core Team Decision	Close Out of PRS/BDP
93	Main Hill Seep #0603	Binned for No further Assessment	Recommendation for NFA with continued monitoring signed by Core Team on 3/4/96.

### **2.5.3.2 Groundwater Contaminant Data**

Groundwater data consist of water analyses of the Mound production wells screened within the Buried Valley Aquifer, and analyses of groundwater from monitoring wells screened in the bedrock aquifer on the Mound property. These wells are sampled as part of the site-wide groundwater monitoring network. Section 2.2.2 of the RRE for RB H documents the specific groundwater data used to evaluate the current and future groundwater profile for RB H. Summaries of the contaminants detected in Mound Plant groundwater, and those projected to be present in Mound Plant groundwater in the future, are shown in Tables 2-3 and 2-4, respectively.

### **2.5.3.3 Soil Contaminant Data**

Soil data can be divided into three types: (1) data obtained through commercial analytical laboratory analysis; (2) data obtained through "screening" techniques conducted in a DOE laboratory; and, (3) data obtained through screening techniques conducted in the field. Analytical laboratory data are obtained using strict methods and are subjected to exacting quality control procedures. These data are of the highest quality, and are quantitative. The laboratory screening data are considered to be of lower quality because sample preparation does not occur, and the measuring instruments are less precise. The field screening techniques are the least accurate due to instrument limitations and the effects of ambient conditions on field measurements. Due to these limitations, field screening data were not used for any calculations in the RRE for RB H.

**Table 2-3. Current Mound Plant Groundwater Contaminants of Concern Based on the Plant Water Supply**

Groundwater Constituent	Maximum concentration	Screening Concentration (either background or G.V.)
<b>Organics (mg/L)</b>		
1,1-Dichloroethene	0.0017	---
1,1,1-Trichloroethane	0.0018	0.0007 <sup>4</sup>
1,1,2,-Trichloro-1,2,2-trifluoroethane	0.0087	---
<b>INORGANICS (mg/L)</b>		
Cadmium	0.0077	0.051 <sup>2</sup>
Copper	0.593	0.0012 <sup>4</sup>
Lead	0.040	0.0101 <sup>4</sup>
<b>RADIONUCLIDES(pCi/L)</b>		
Actinium-227	0.335	0.26 <sup>3</sup>
Bismuth-210	0.39	---
Plutonium-239/240	2.0	0.125 <sup>4</sup>
Thorium-228	2.17	0.69 <sup>3</sup>
Tritium	7200	1485 <sup>4</sup>
Uranium-234	8.14	0.792 <sup>4</sup>
Uranium-238	8.25	0.688 <sup>4</sup>

<sup>1</sup>- Guideline values (Gvs) are decision-making tools for the Core Team. Gvs help the Core Team determine if contaminants are present at levels that warrant evaluation.

<sup>2</sup>- Hazard Quotient for ingestion, dermal and inhalation. Decision made on 0.1xGV.

<sup>3</sup>- GV corresponds to a total risk of 10<sup>-6</sup> for ingestion only.

<sup>4</sup>- Background value. When adequate numbers of measurements are available, background values are based on the 95<sup>th</sup> % upper tolerance limit.

Referenece: "Technical Position Report in Support of the Release Block H Residual Evaluation", Public Review Draft Rev 2, April 1999



**Table 2-4. Future Mound Plant Groundwater Contaminants of Concern**

Groundwater Constituent	Estimated Maximum concentration	Screening Concentration (either background or G.V.) <sup>1</sup>
<b>ORGANICS (mg/L)</b>		
1,1-Dichloroethene	0.0017	---
1,1,1-Trichloroethane	0.0065	0.0007 <sup>4</sup>
1,1,2-Trichloro-1,2,2-trifluoroethane	0.0087	---
<b>INORGANICS (mg/L)</b>		
Beryllium	0.0001	0.000066 <sup>5</sup>
Bismuth	0.0016	---
Cadmium	0.0077	0.051 <sup>2</sup>
Chromium	0.4961	0.0061 <sup>4</sup>
Cobalt	0.0039	---
Copper	0.5964	0.0012 <sup>4</sup>
Lead	0.040	0.010 <sup>4</sup>
Molybdenum	0.0096	0.0056 <sup>4</sup>
<b>RADIONUCLIDES (pCi/L)</b>		
Actinium-227	0.355	0.26 <sup>3</sup>
Bismuth-210	0.39	---
Plutonium-239/240	2.02	0.125 <sup>4</sup>
Thorium-228	2.17	0.69 <sup>3</sup>
Tritium	10427	1485 <sup>4</sup>
Uranium-234	8.14	0.792 <sup>4</sup>
Uranium-238	8.25	0.688 <sup>4</sup>

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2- Hazard Quotient for ingestion, dermal and inhalation. Decision made on 0.1xGV.

3- GV corresponds to a total risk of  $10^{-6}$  for ingestion only.

4- Background value. When adequate numbers of measurements are available, background values are based on the 95th% upper tolerance limit.

5- Total Risk  $10^{-6}$  for ingestion, dermal and inhalation

Reference: "Technical Position in Support of the Release Block H Residual Risk Evaluation", Public Review Draft Rev 2, April, 1999.

Soil contaminant data for RB H collected prior to the Mound 2000 process are documented in a number of DOE reports. These references include:

- Other Soils Characterization Report, Volume I - Text. Final, Revision O. May 1, 1995 (*results of systematic sampling*),
- OU-5 Operational Area Phase I Investigation Non-AOC Field Reports, Volume I - Text. Final, Revision O. June 1, 1995 (*results of systematic sampling in southern area of site, gives general overview of soils not thought to be contaminated*),
- OU-9 Regional Soils Investigation Report, Revision 2. August 1, 1995 (*purpose was to give a regional soil description away from impacts of Mound operations*),
- OU-3 Miscellaneous Sites Limited Field Investigation Report, Volumes 1, 2, and 3. Final, Revision O. July 1, 1993 (*purpose was to address areas noted in previous surveys; but, not thought to endanger human health or environment*),
- OU-9 Site Scoping Report, Volume. 3 - Radiological Site Survey, Final, June 1, 1993 (*a compendium of existing data*), and
- Soil Gas Confirmation Sampling. Revision O. April 1, 1996 (*results of a study following up on a prior qualitative study*).

In the Mound 2000 process, radionuclide and chemical contaminants were studied on a PRS basis. There is one PRS within RB H, PRS 93. PRS 93 was identified as a PRS because it is the site of Seep 0603 and other seeps showed elevated concentrations of tritium. Tritium was detected at PRS 93 at low concentrations, i.e., in the range of 1000-3000 pCi/L.

Soil was sampled at PRS 93. All radionuclide and other contaminant concentrations were in the range of background.

A summary of the contaminants detected in RB H soils is shown in Table 2-5.

## **2.6 Potential Future Uses for Mound**

The Mound Plant will remain in industrial use into the future. This future use has been determined based upon agreement among DOE, US EPA, OEPA, and interested stakeholders. This land use is reflected in the Mound Comprehensive Reuse Plan of the Miamisburg Mound Community Improvement Corporation (MMCIC) and is currently codified in the City of Miamisburg Zoning Ordinance for industrial use.

## **2.7 Summary of Site Risks**

The human health risks for RB H were evaluated using the Residual Risk Evaluation Methodology (RREM) document developed for Mound. A residual risk evaluation (RRE) is a five-step process:

- (1) identification of contaminants,
- (2) exposure assessment,
- (3) toxicity assessment,
- (4) risk characterization, and
- (5) evaluation of potential cumulative risks.

**Table 2-5. Soil Contaminants of Concern for RB H**

Soil Constituent	Maximum concentration Any Depth	Maximum concentration Shallow (<2' deep)	Screening Concentration (either Bkgd or G.V.) <sup>1</sup>
<b>ORGANICS (mg/kg)</b>			
Acenaphtene	0.18	0.18	
Acenaphthylene	0.7	0.7	
Aldrin	0.0031	0.0031	
Benzo(a)pyrene	1.115	1.115	0.41 <sup>2</sup>
Benzo(g,h,i)perylene	1.0625	1.0625	
delta-BHC	0.00025	0.00025	
Carbazole	0.5875	0.5875	
alpha Chlordane	0.01	0.01	
gamma Chlordane	0.0074	0.0074	
4-chloro-3-methyl phenol	0.047	0.047	
Dibenzo(a,h)anthracene	0.78	0.78	0.41 <sup>2</sup>
Dibenzofuran	1.035	1.035	
Fluorene	1.45	1.45	
Heptachlor epoxide	0.0022	0.0022	
2-Methylnaphthalene	0.92	0.92	
Naphthalene	2.625	2.625	
Phenanthrene	3.75	3.75	
1,1,2-Trichloro-1,2,2-trifluoroethane	0.002	0.002	
<b>INORGANICS (mg/kg)</b>			
Arsenic (total)	10.9	10.9	8.6 <sup>3</sup>
Bismuth	58.6	58.6	
Copper (total)	26.4	22.1	26 <sup>3</sup>
Lead (total)	163	163	48 <sup>3</sup>
Lithium	40.2	19	26 <sup>3</sup>
<b>RADIONUCLIDES (pCi/g)</b>			
Cesium-137	1.9	1.9	0.42 <sup>4</sup>
Plutonium-238	56	56	0.13 <sup>3</sup>
Plutonium-242	0.0143	0.0143	
Potassium-40	45.4	21	37 <sup>3</sup>
Radium-226	3.15	3.15	0.13 <sup>4</sup>

Note: Blanks indicate background or Guideline Value not available. The more restrictive GV was used to determine which contaminants were carried through the RRE.

<sup>1</sup> Guideline values (GVs) are decision-making tools for the Core Team. GV's help the Core Team determine if contaminants are present at levels that warrant evaluation.

<sup>2</sup> GV corresponds to a total risk of 10<sup>-6</sup> for the ingestion pathway.

<sup>3</sup> Background Value. When adequate numbers of measurements are available, background values are based on the 95% upper tolerance limit.

<sup>4</sup> GV corresponds to a total risk 10<sup>-6</sup> for the ingestion, inhalation and external pathways.

Reference: "Technical Position Report in Support of the Release Block H Residual Risk Evaluation", Public Review Draft Rev 2, April, 1999.

### **2.7.1 Identification of Contaminants**

The contaminants of concern (COCs) for RB H were identified by reviewing all of the sampling data for the release block. Based on that review, contaminants were eliminated for further evaluation based on criteria established in the RREM. Specifically, only contaminants exceeding (1) background, (2) a base level of potential health concern, and (3) certain frequency of detection (FOD) criteria were carried through the RRE. The COCs established for RB H are listed in Tables 2-3, 2-4, and 2-5.

### **2.7.2 Exposure Assessment**

The Site Conceptual Model (SCM) for Mound provides the basis for evaluating human exposure scenarios. Because DOE and its regulators and stakeholders agree that the future use of Release Block H will be industrial in nature, two receptor scenarios from the Mound SCM apply: a construction worker and a site employee. The routes of exposure applicable to these two receptors are shown in Figure 2-4. The significant pathways for RB H include ingestion of soil and groundwater.

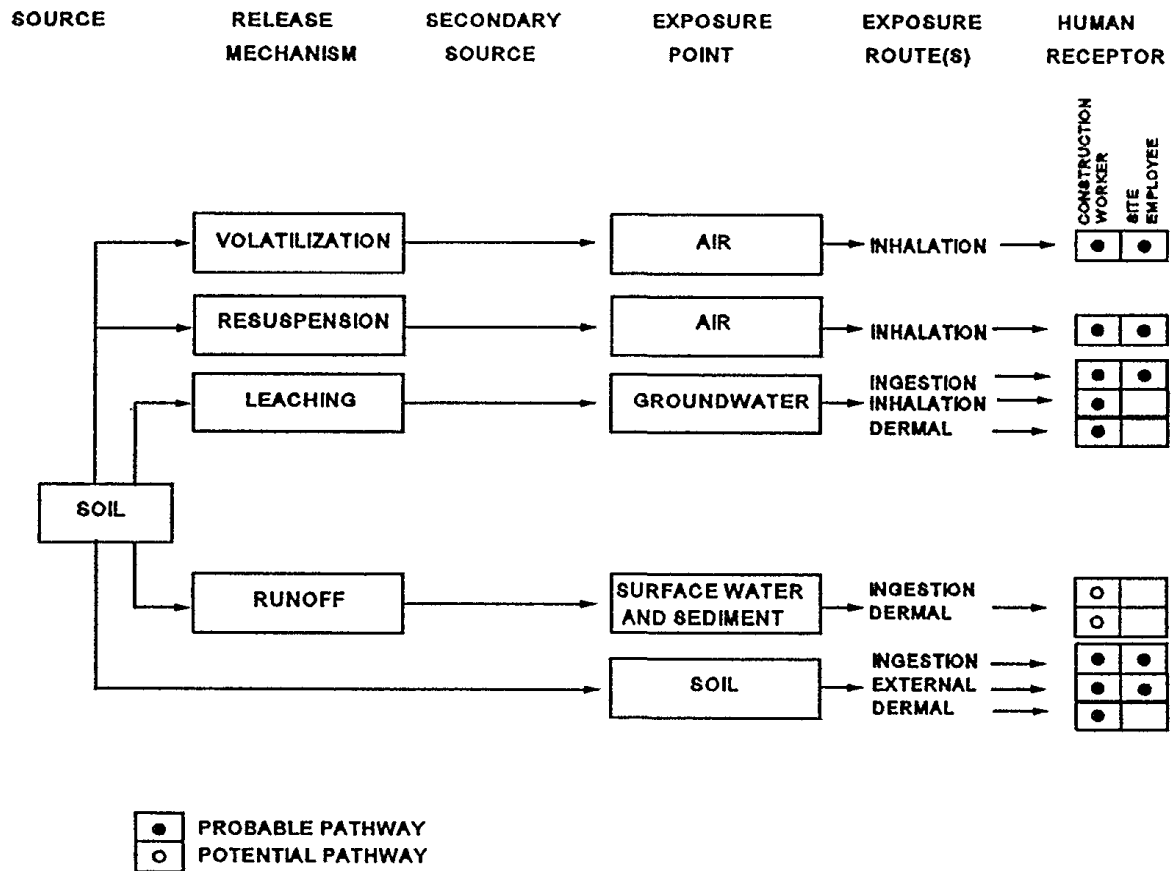
Using equations developed to support the SCM, exposures to specific concentrations of COCs are evaluated based on assuming intake rates for soil and groundwater. Once the intakes are estimated, the human health implications of those intakes are evaluated by reviewing toxicological data for the COCs.

For the special case of groundwater, the possible exposures to current and future COCs are evaluated. This approach ensures that the cumulative and long-term impacts of the COCs are adequately characterized.

### **2.7.3 Toxicity Assessment**

The toxicological properties of each COC for RB H were evaluated by reviewing the Integrated Risk Information System (IRIS) and/or Health Effects Assessment Summary Table (HEAST) data for the COC. IRIS files provide no-observable effect levels and slope factors (for translating intake into cancer risk) for many of the chemicals encountered at Mound. HEAST provides slope factors for many of the radionuclides encountered at Mound. Based on the information collected from IRIS and HEAST, an adequate understanding of the toxicology of the RB H COCs has been developed.

**Figure 2-4. Exposure Pathways for the Mound Site Conceptual Model**



#### 2.7.4 Risk Characterization

Pursuant to the RREM, risks are quantified for both carcinogenic and non-carcinogenic contaminants. The risk associated with the intake of a known or suspected carcinogen is reported in terms of the incremental lifetime cancer risk presented by that COC, as estimated using the appropriate slope factor and the amount of material ingested. Potential human health hazards from exposure to non-carcinogenic contaminants are evaluated by using a Hazard Quotient (HQ). The HQ is determined by the ratio of the intake of a COC to a reference dose or concentration for the COC that is believed to represent a no-observable effect level. The COC-specific HQs are then summed to provide an overall Hazard Index (HI). US EPA guidance sets a limit of 1.0 for the Comprehensive HI.

The risks and hazards associated with residual concentrations of COCs in RB H are shown in Table 2-6. As shown in the table, the overall risk values are in the acceptable range of  $10^{-4}$  to  $10^{-6}$ . The HIs for the future groundwater scenarios, however, are near or above the 1.0-limit. This is based on the bedrock groundwater contaminants flowing directly to the BVA that supplies drinking water for the plant. As a result, the selected remedy prohibits the use of bedrock groundwater. This institutional control, in the form of a deed restriction, will ensure that the residual risks associated with RB H remain acceptable.

Because the scope of the RRE was limited to industrial use, the soils within RB H have not been evaluated for unrestricted release (e.g., residential use). Disposition of RB H soils without proper handling, sampling and management could create an unacceptable risk to human health and the environment.

#### 2.7.5 Evaluation of Potential Cumulative Risks

For purposes of the RREM, risks resulting from contaminants that originate outside the release block under consideration are called cumulative risks. In general, cumulative risks are possible via air, surface water, and ground water. For Mound, cumulative risks from surface waters are not expected because, other than storm water drainage, there are no surface water bodies flowing through RB H from other release blocks. Groundwater and air are therefore the media of concern for cumulative risks.

**Current groundwater.** The Mound RREM accounts for cumulative groundwater risks by evaluating current and future groundwater contamination. Since all groundwater currently used at Mound is drawn from the production wells located onsite, the risk

posed by current groundwater contamination is equal to the risk resulting from exposure to contaminants found in the production wells. This risk is identical for all release blocks and represents the cumulative risk from contaminants that migrate to the production wells from all release blocks.

**Future groundwater.** The future risk from groundwater was estimated for RB H based on the assumption that contaminants found in bedrock will eventually migrate to the Mound Plant production well located in the BVA. A simple and extremely conservative flow model was used to estimate the concentrations as a function of time. These concentration estimates were reported in Table 2-4.

**Air.** The Mound RREM accounts for cumulative residual risk via the air pathway by using data collected in 1994 from the Mound Plant perimeter air sampling stations to bound the concentrations and therefore the risks from inhalation of radionuclides present in ambient air. These values are reported in the "Technical Position Report in Support of the Release Block H Residual Risk Evaluation" and are included in Table 2-6.

The HI and risk values presented in Table 2-6 for the current groundwater, future groundwater, and air scenarios are therefore believed to adequately bound the potential cumulative risk for RB H. The potential cumulative risk can be added to the risks from exposures to contaminants within the release block to provide a measure of overall risk. The risk values presented in Table 2-6 labeled "Sum of Soil, Air and Groundwater" are therefore believed to adequately bound the potential overall risk.

### **2.7.6 Ecological Risk Assessment**

Based on the results of an ecological characterization of the Mound Plant (OU-9 Ecological Characterization, March, 1994) there are no endangered species or critical habitats of endangered species on RB H. In addition, RB H is composed entirely of a parking lot, roads, and mowed lawns. There are no wetlands or surface waters located in RB H and no sensitive habitats. Therefore, DOE has determined, with concurrence from US EPA and OEPA, that an ecological assessment for RB H is not necessary.

## **2.8 Remediation Objectives**

The primary remediation objective for RB H is to ensure the residual risk associated with the release block is acceptable for the defined use scenario of industrial occupants.



**Table 2-6. Current and Future Residual Risks for Release Block H**

Construction Worker						
	Soil	Air	Groundwater Current	Groundwater Future	Sum of Soil, Air and Groundwater Current	Sum of Soil, Air and Groundwater Future
Non-carcinogenic Hazard Index for Organics & Inorganics	4.0E-02	N/A	3.7E-02	1.6E+00	HI = 7.7E-02	HI = 1.7E+00
Carcinogenic Risks for Organics & Inorganics	4.7E-06	N/A	N/A	N/A	Risk = 4.7E-06	Risk = 4.7E-06
Carcinogenic Risks for Radionuclides	1.7E-05	2.0E-07	2.5E-06	2.9E-06	Risk = 2.0E-05	Risk = 2.3E-05
Construction Worker Overall HI = Overall Risk =					7.7E-02 2.5E-05	1.7 E + 00 2.8E-05

Site Employee						
	Soil	Air	Groundwater Current	Groundwater Future	Sum of Soil, Air and Groundwater Current	Sum of Soil, Air and Groundwater Future
Non-carcinogenic Hazard Index for Organics & Inorganics	4.0E-03	N/A	3.7E-02	1.6E+00	HI = 4.1 E-02	HI = 1.6E+00
Carcinogenic Risks for Organics & Inorganics	2.0E-06	N/A	N/A	N/A	Risk = 2.0E-06	Risk = 2.0E-06
Carcinogenic Risks for Radionuclides	1.8E-05	9.9E-07	1.3E-05	1.4E-05	Risk = 3.2E-05	Risk = 4.6E-05
Site Employee Overall HI = Overall Risk =					4.1 E-02 3.4E-05	1.6E+00 4.8E-05

## **2.9 Description of Alternatives**

As documented in Section 2.7, the risk from both carcinogens and non-carcinogens from RB H is within the acceptable range for the current industrial use. In light of the planned exit of DOE from the site, and the residual levels of contaminants in the soil and groundwater in RB H, a remedy must be implemented to protect human health and the environment into the future. Two alternatives were considered for RB H; they are described below.

### **2.9.1 No Action**

Regulations governing the Superfund program require that the "no action" alternative be evaluated at each site to establish a baseline for comparison. Under this alternative, DOE would take no action to prevent exposure to soil and groundwater contamination associated with RB H.

### **2.9.2 Institutional Controls**

In this alternative, institutional controls in the form of deed restrictions on future land use would be placed on RB H. The objective of these institutional controls would be to prevent an unacceptable risk to human health and the environment by restricting the use of RB H, including RB H soils, to that which is consistent with assumptions in the RB H RRE. DOE or its successors would retain the right and responsibility to monitor, maintain, and enforce these institutional controls. In order to maintain protection for human health and the environment at RB H in the future, the institutional controls to be adopted would:

- < Ensure that industrial land use is maintained;
- < Prohibit the use of bedrock ground water;
- < Provide site access for federal and state agencies for the purpose of taking response actions, including sampling and monitoring; and
- < Prohibit removal of RB H soils from the DOE Mound property (as owned in 1998) boundary without approval from ODH and OEPA , or their successor agencies.

## **2.10 Selected Remedy**

### **2.10.1 Description**

The selected remedy for RB H is institutional controls in the form of deed restrictions on future land use. The specific restrictions to be adopted are provided in the deed attached to this ROD as Appendix A. The objective of these restrictions is to:

- < Ensure that industrial land use is maintained;
- < Prohibit the use of bedrock ground water;
- < Provide site access for federal and state agencies for the purpose of taking response actions including sampling and monitoring; and
- < Prohibit removal of RB H soils from the DOE Mound property (as owned in 1998) boundary without approval from ODH and OEPA , or their successor agencies.

DOE or its successors, as the lead agency for this ROD, has the responsibility to monitor, maintain and enforce these institutional controls. This responsibility includes the duty to conduct annual assessments of compliance with the deed restrictions and the duty to enforce the deed restrictions if any non-compliance is detected. The assessment and enforcement processes are outlined in Appendix C, which is intended to serve as a framework for implementation of operation and maintenance activities for the selected remedy. Within ninety (90) days of the date on which this ROD is signed, DOE shall submit to US EPA and Ohio EPA for their approval a formal proposal regarding operation and maintenance of the institutional controls. This proposal and the annual compliance assessments shall be considered primary documents under the Federal Facility Agreement. If DOE, US EPA and OEPA agree, the frequency of the compliance assessments can be changed at any time.

The soils within RB H have not been evaluated for any use other than on-site industrial use. Any off-site disposition of the RB H soil without proper handling, sampling, and management could create an unacceptable risk to off-site receptors. An objective of the preferred alternative is to prevent residual exposure to soils from RB H.

A copy of the deed is attached in Appendix A; this represents the remedy for RB H. DOE will develop an Operation and Maintenance Plan for the remedy. US EPA and OEPA have approval authority for this plan.

## 2.10.2 Estimated Costs

The initial costs associated with these deed restrictions are those associated with the writing and recording of the restrictions with the deed. The costs associated with monitoring and enforcing the land use and property deed restrictions are estimated to be \$5,000 per year.

## 2.10.3 Decisive Factors

The US EPA has developed threshold, balancing and modifying criteria to aid in the selection of the remedy. There are two (2) threshold criteria, five (5) balancing criteria and two (2) modifying criteria. Each is described below.

### 2.10.3.1 **THRESHOLD CRITERIA** - *Must be met for an alternative to be eligible for selection:*

#### **(1) Overall protection of human health and the environment**

This criterion addresses whether an alternative provides adequate protection of human health and the environment. The "no action" alternative does not meet this criterion in that the level of risk to human health posed by the site was found to be acceptable only for an industrial scenario. No evaluation was made of the risks posed by unrestricted use of the property. Deed restrictions are required as a mechanism to ensure the continued future use of RB H is limited to industrial purposes.

#### **(2) Compliance with applicable or relevant and appropriate requirements**

Section 121 (d) of CERCLA requires that remedial actions at CERCLA sites attain legally applicable or relevant and appropriate Federal and State requirements, standards, criteria, and limitations which are collectively referred to as "ARARs," unless such ARARs are waived under CERCLA Section 121 (d)(4).

Applicable Requirements are those substantive environmental protection requirements, criteria, or limitations promulgated under Federal or State law that specifically address hazardous substances, the remedial action to be implemented at the site, the location of the site, or other circumstances present at the site. Relevant and Appropriate

Requirements are those substantive environmental protection requirements, criteria, or limitations promulgated under Federal or State law which, while not applicable to the hazardous materials found at the site, the remedial action itself, the site location, or other circumstances at the site, nevertheless address problems or situations sufficiently similar to those encountered at the site that their use is well-suited to the site.

Compliance with ARARs addresses whether a remedy will meet all the applicable or relevant and appropriate requirements of other Federal and State environmental statutes or provides the basis for invoking a waiver.

ARARs are of several types: chemical-specific, location-specific, and action-specific. Chemical-specific ARARs are usually health- or risk-based numerical values or methodologies which, when applied to site-specific conditions, result in the establishment of numerical values. These values establish the acceptable amount or concentration of a chemical that may be found in, or discharged to, the ambient environment. For RB H, "Maximum Contaminant Levels" or "MCLs" established under the Safe Drinking Water Act constitute chemical-specific ARARs and are listed in Appendix D. They apply to the bedrock ground water beneath RB H. No evidence of any contamination above MCLs has been found in this ground water. Consequently, ARARs with respect to ground water are deemed to have been met.

Location-specific ARARs are restrictions placed on the concentration of hazardous substances or the conduct of activities solely because they are located in specific locations, e.g., flood plains, wetlands, historic places, etc. For RB H, Ohio has identified two statutory provisions that describe site conditions that would prompt certain response actions. (See Appendix D). These provisions are similar to location-specific ARARs. The selected remedy meets both of these requirements.

Action-specific ARARs are usually technology- or activity-based requirements or limitations on actions taken with respect to hazardous wastes. These requirements are triggered by the particular remedial activities that are selected to accomplish a remedy. In this case, the remedy is an institutional control - deed restrictions. The ARARs are applicable State requirements concerning the recording of deeds. (See Appendix D). The selected remedy will comply with these requirements.

It should be noted that any onsite management of RB H soils, not associated

with a CERCLA response action, in a manner inconsistent with State law or any disposition of RB H soils away from the Mound Superfund Site would be subject to applicable Ohio regulations, which are independently enforceable from CERCLA.

**2.10.3.2 BALANCING CRITERIA** - *used to weigh major trade-offs among alternatives:*

**(1) Long-term effectiveness and permanence**

Long-term effectiveness and permanence refers to expected residual risk and the ability of a remedy to maintain reliable protection of human health and the environment over time, once clean-up levels have been met. This criterion includes the consideration of residual risk and the adequacy and reliability of controls. Only Alternative 2, Institutional Controls, provides some degree of long-term protectiveness. The implementation of institutional controls in the form of land use restrictions is necessary to ensure that future use remains compatible with the evaluated residual risk associated with RB H.

Because this remedy will result in hazardous substances remaining in the RB H above levels that allow for unlimited use and unrestricted exposure, an annual review and report will be submitted to OEPA, ODH, and US EPA (pursuant to CERCLA) determining whether or not the remedy is in effect and being complied with to ensure that it is adequately protective of human health and the environment.

DOE reserves the right to petition the US EPA, OEPA, and ODH for a modification to the frequency established for conducting the effectiveness reviews.

**(2) Reduction of toxicity, mobility or volume through treatment**

Reduction of toxicity, mobility or volume through treatment refers to the anticipated performance of the treatment technologies that may be included as part of the remedy.

Since neither of the alternatives includes treatment, this criterion does not require further evaluation.

### **(3) Short-term effectiveness**

Short-term effectiveness addresses the period of time needed to implement the remedy and any adverse impacts that may be posed to workers and the community during construction and operation of the remedy until clean-up goals are achieved.

Alternative 1, No Action, would not provide short-term effectiveness because there is no assurance of protection of human health and the environment after the property is transferred. Alternative 2, Institutional Controls, provides this assurance.

### **(4) Implementability**

Implementability addresses the technical and administrative feasibility of a remedy from design through construction and operation. Factors such as availability of services and materials, administrative feasibility, and coordination with other governmental entities are also considered. Since Alternative 1 involves no action, there is no time or cost required for implementation. Alternative 2, Institutional Controls, is expected to require approximately one month and minimal cost to implement.

### **(5) Cost**

The range of costs is zero dollars (\$0) for Alternative 1, No Action, to approximately \$5,000 annually for the maintenance of the deed restrictions for Alternative 2, Institutional Controls.

#### **2.10.3.3 MODIFYING CRITERIA** - *to be considered after public comment is received on the Proposed Plan and of equal importance to the balancing criteria:*

##### **(1) State/Support Agency Acceptance**

Both US EPA and the State do not believe that Alternative 1, No Action, provides adequate protection of human health and the environment in the future. However, both agencies support the selected remedy, Alternative 2, Institutional Controls.

## **(2) Community Acceptance**

Based on input received during the public comment period and the public hearing, the community accepts and supports the selected remedy.

### **2.11 Statutory Determinations**

The selected remedy for RB H is protective of human health and the environment, complies with Federal and State requirements that are applicable or relevant and appropriate (ARAR), is cost-effective, and utilizes a permanent solution to the maximum extent practicable. Because this remedy will result in hazardous substances remaining in Release Block H above levels that allow for unlimited use and unrestricted exposure, DOE in consultation with US EPA, Ohio EPA and ODH will review the remedial action each year to assure that human health and the environment are being protected by the remedial action being implemented.

DOE reserves the right to petition the US EPA, OEPA, and ODH for a modification to the frequency established for conducting the effectiveness reviews.

### **2.12 Documentation of Significant Changes**

Although this ROD has been signed, new information may be received or generated that could affect the implementation of the remedy. DOE, as the lead agency for this ROD, has the responsibility to evaluate the significance of any such new information. The type of documentation required for a post-ROD change depends on the nature of the change. Three categories of changes are recognized by the US EPA: non-significant, significant, and fundamental. Non-significant post-ROD changes may be documented using a memo to the Administrative Record file. Changes that significantly affect the ROD must be evaluated pursuant to CERCLA Section 117 and the NCP at 40 CFR 300.435(c)(2)(I). Fundamental changes typically require a revised Proposed Plan and an amendment to the ROD. Significant or fundamental changes to the ROD for Release Block H are not anticipated.

## **3.0 RESPONSIVENESS SUMMARY**

This section of the ROD presents stakeholder concerns about RB H and explains how those concerns were addressed prior to issuance of the ROD.

During the public meeting on the Proposed Plan, one stakeholder provided a formal comment. During the public review period for the Proposed Plan, other stakeholders



provided additional comments. The Core Team responded to stakeholders by letter. The comments and responses are also presented here.

- **Comments Received during the Public Meeting held on the Proposed Plan for Release Block H**

**Comment:**

My name is Jeff Fischer. I see that there's an update on risk factors from IRIS. That's a good thing. There are several chemicals as well as radionuclides that have updated factors. That brings up the question, what impact does this have on earlier work that's been done in terms of calculations? Has this been looked at for other release blocks?

**Response:**

The impact of revised risk factors from IRIS and HEAST on earlier work has been evaluated. Release Block D was the only release block affected because it was the only release block with a completed residual risk evaluation. The "Technical Position Report in Support of the Release Block D Residual Risk Evaluation" (January, 1999) documented the impact of revisions in risk factors that occurred after the Residual Risk Evaluation was complete (December, 1996).

- **Comments on the Technical Position Report in Support of the Release Block H Residual Risk Evaluation and the Proposed Plan for Release Block H**

Comment:

Add RfD) (Table 2-1) to the Acronym List.

Response:

RfD will be added to the Acronym List on the final TPR.

Comment:

Note that the daughter product of Thorium 232 is Radium 228, rather than Radium 226 (page 6 and page 8). Likewise, the eventual daughter product of Uranium 238 is Radium 226.

Response:

The original RRE incorrectly stated that radium-226 was the daughter of thorium-232. This was one of the drivers for using the TPR to document the risks from radium-226 and its daughters. Radium-226 risks are therefore accounted for in the risk values presented in the ROD. The final edition of the TPR has been reworded to clarify this point.

Comment:

It is my thinking that the risk factors (for radionuclides) from inhalation, ingestion, and external exposure should be totaled for a more accurate risk figure. Also, in the face of the additional risk from hazardous chemicals -- does each of the two categories not enhance the effect of the other?

Response:

The risk factors for radionuclides have been totaled for all pathways (see for example Tables 3-1a and 3-1b of the TPR). Overall cancer risks for radionuclides and chemicals have also been totaled (see for example Tables 6.1 and 6.2 of the Proposed Plan). The overall cancer risk and the overall hazard index (for chemicals that are not carcinogens), however, have not been totaled; there is no consensus method available for summing these different figures-of-merit which represent very different types of potential health effects. Similarly, there is no consensus method available for estimating the synergistic effects possibly associated with exposure to both radionuclides and chemicals.

Comment:

Genetic effects were not included in the risk calculations, as far as I could see. These may have been ruled out due to the two categories of persons considered in the calculations. However, should a genetic defect appear in any of their families, this is a painful experience should it happen within future generation.

Response:

The comment is correct in noting that genetic effects are not accounted for in the HEAST slope factors used to translate intake of, or external exposure to, radionuclides into risk. The slope factors account solely for the additional cancer risk potentially associated with ingestion, inhalation, or external exposure using a linear, non-threshold dose-response model. The IRIS slope factors used for chemical carcinogens are also subject to this limitation.

Comment:

The "Core Team" of representatives from DOE, US EPA, and OEPA evaluated the potential contamination problems and recommended "the appropriate response." My question is: were any citizens involved in determining that response? Would a meeting for those persons interested in reviewing the contamination problems and recommendations be feasible? A simple explanation of how the calculations were made would be helpful to me.

Response:

The Core Team welcomes the opportunity to meet with citizens and discuss the Mound 2000 process and its results. The community was an active participant in developing this process (Mound 2000) and helped determine points of direct involvement. The Residual Risk Evaluation Methodology and the Residual Risk Evaluation for Release Block H have gone through a public comment cycle and copies are in the CERCLA Public Reading Room. The process requires comments from the public on the PRS recommendations be responded to or incorporated as part of the remedy evaluation. DOE believes all comments have been resolved with the commenter and the documents, comments, and responses have been placed in the CERCLA Public Reading Room.

Comment:

Before considering the transfer of more parcels, I would like to know if any historical records or deeds were searched to determine whether or not some record exists which would encourage us to honor the Miami Indian culture in some way.

Response:

Archeological field surveys have been performed. In 1987, Wright State University conducted archeological survey of the acceptable portions of the South Property (RB A & B). Based on the results of the field work and a review of applicable literature, the survey team concluded that the South Property did not have the research potential to make it eligible for listing on the National Register of Historic Places. Subsequent correspondence from the Ohio Historic Preservation office reaffirmed that conclusion. A follow-up survey conducted in 1991 examined areas immediately adjacent to, but not including the South Property. Four historic sites were noted: a segment of the Miami-Erie Canal, a bridge remnant, a bridge, and a city well. None of these sites were judged to be eligible for the National Register of Historic Places.

Comment:

The estimate of \$5000 as a fund to be used for the future monitoring of Parcel H seems to me to be an underestimation, since the cost of lab tests, etc., is substantial.

Response:

The referenced estimate of \$5000 per year is the anticipated annual cost of maintaining deed restrictions and performing effectiveness reviews for USEPA and OEPA as described in the Proposed Plan. Any required future monitoring within this RB would be funded separately.

Comment:

The party which purchases Release Block H should commit, as well, when he/she transfers the site to another owner, to the transfer of all existing environmental reports provided by DOE. In addition, to the succeeding owners, all records should be filed with the City of Miamisburg Records of Deeds Office, the County Zoning Board, and the Ohio Records Offices and federal agencies so designated.

Response:

We share your concern for long term retention and dissemination of information about the site. The Federal Facility Agreement addresses document retention for at least 10 years after termination of the FFA. As the Mound project continues and approaches completion, we will revisit the issue of long term retention and dissemination of information to succeeding owners.

Comment:

We understand that a professional property survey has been completed for Release Block H. Will the complete legal description of Release Block H, with a thorough description of the property boundaries, be included in the Release Block H Record of Decision?

Response:

The complete legal description of Release Block H will be included in the Record of Decision as an Appendix.

Comment:

We wish to clarify the term "industrial use" or "industrial land use" as it appears in the Proposed Plan. The first sentence of Section 3.0, Exposure Assessment, of the Release Block H Residual Risk Evaluation (RRE) states that "[DOE], Ohio EPA, U.S. EPA, and the Mound Facility stakeholders have agreed that the future use of the Mound Plant property will be commercial/industrial use." The section then goes on to describe the two commercial/industrial exposure scenarios utilized in the RRE and defined in the Mound 2000 Residual Risk Evaluation Methodology as 1) a construction worker assumed to work on the property eight hours per day for 250 days per year over a five-year period, and 2) a site employee assumed to work for eight hours per day for 250 days per year over a 25-year period and who does not shower in water from a well on the property.

We assume, therefore, based on the foregoing scenarios, that the use of the term "industrial" in the Release Block H Proposed Plan refers to the risk exposure scenario evaluated for this property and is not restricted solely to the industrial land use category, but incorporates both commercial and industrial land uses. Are our assumptions correct?

Response:

Yes, your assumptions are correct. "Industrial" refers to the risk exposure scenario evaluated for the property. This incorporates both commercial and industrial land uses that are consistent with the restrictions placed on the deed and as described in the ROD.

Comment:

The fourth sentence of the second paragraph of Page 3 should read something line "Before transfer of a release block can be completed, all buildings and PRSs must be evaluated for protectiveness **to human health and the environment for Industrial reuse** or be remediated to be protective." The word protectiveness is not defined at a previous point in the text.

Response:

This language has been incorporated into the appropriate section (2.4 Scope and Role of RB H) of the Record of Decision.

Comment:

A wedge of Release Block H property lies outside (east of) the Mound facility fence line along Mound Road, between the Mound entrance driveway and Mound Road itself, and one corner of property lies to the east of Mound Road. (Refer to Attachment A for a map of the wedge of Release Block H property and to Attachment B for a legal description.) MMCIC believes that the Miamisburg community would receive a benefit from an exclusion from the soil removal restriction for this wedge of property as described below.

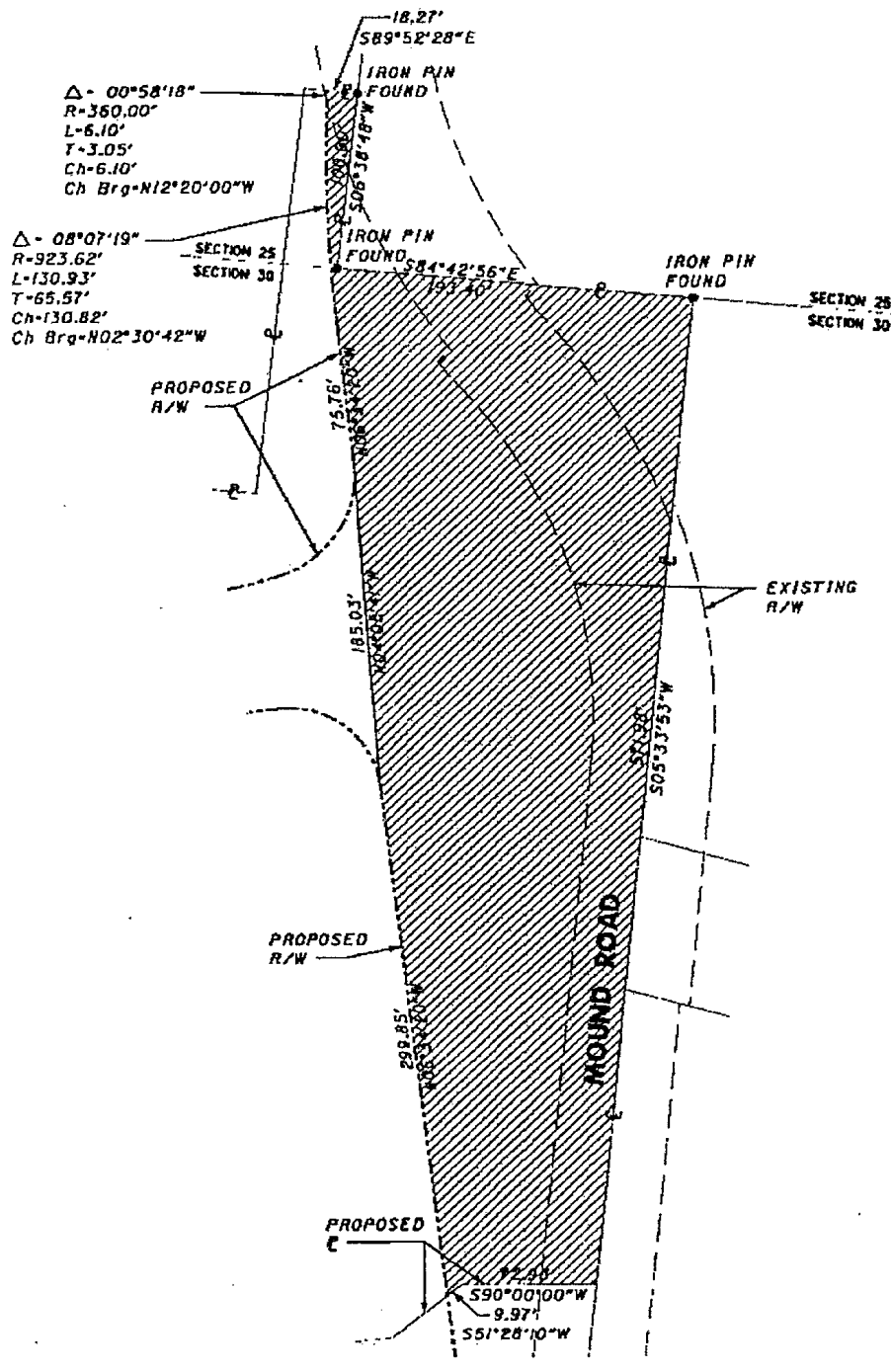
Once MMCIC completes its proposed improvement along the section of Mound Road that includes this wedge of Block H property, MMCIC plans to dedicate the road to the City of Miamisburg. Any maintenance or improvements required for the road after that time will become the responsibility of the City. A soil removal restriction for this wedge of property along Mound Road will be extremely difficult to police once the road is dedicated to the City.

Historical information described in the Release Block H Proposed Plan confirms that no industrial, commercial, or research activities associated with the Mound facility operations ever took place on this portion of Release Block H.

In addition, MMCIC has reviewed the soil sample analytical data for the described wedge of property. The analytical data, which for the most part result from laboratory analyses for radionuclides, indicate concentrations that are either equal to the method detection limits (i.e., non-detects) or within the 10-5 Guideline Values for a residential scenario established for the respective compounds at the Mound facility. There are two exceptions to these observations: Cesium-137 detected at 0.6 pCi/g and Plutonium-238 detected 26 pCi/g.

MMCIC there requests that, if necessary, a focused residential residual risk evaluation be performed to support an exclusion from the soil removal restriction for the described wedge of property in Release Block H.

# ATTACHMENT A



ATTACHMENT B  
DESCRIPTION FOR SOIL EXCLUSION AREA  
6.604 ACRES

Situate in the County of Montgomery, in the State of Ohio and in the City of Miamisburg, part of Section 25, Town 1, Range 6 MRs and part of Section 30, Town 2, Range 5 MRs and being more particularly described as follows: **Commencing** at an iron pin found on the southerly projection of the centerline of Mound Road, said point also being the northeast corner of a 164.13 Acre tract of land as described in Deed Book 1246, Page 45 of the Deed Records of Montgomery County and being the **TRUE POINT OF BEGINNING**,

thence South 06° 38' 48" West, 100.00 feet to an iron pin found; thence South 84° 42' 56" East, 193.40 feet to an iron pin found; thence South 05° 33' 53" West, 571.98 feet to a point on the centerline of Mound Road; thence due West, 72.93 feet to a point; thence South 51° 28' 10" West, 9.97 feet to a point on the proposed westerly right-of-way of Mound Road; thence along the proposed westerly right-of-way of Mound Road, North 06° 34' 20" West, 299.85 feet to a point; thence North 04° 05' 41" West, 185.03 feet to a point; thence along the proposed westerly right-of-way of Mound Road, North 06° 34' 20" West, 75.76 feet to a point; thence along the proposed westerly right-of-way of Mound Road, on a curve to the right for a distance of 130.93 feet with a radius of 923.62 feet and a central angle of 08° 07' 19" and a chord distance of 130.82 feet and a chord bearing of North 02° 30' 42" West to a point; thence along the existing westerly right-of-way of Mound Road, on a non-tangent curve to the right for a distance of 6.10 feet with a radius of 360.00 feet and a central angle of 00° 58' 18" and a chord distance of 6.10 feet and a chord bearing of North 12° 20' 00" West to a point; thence South 89° 52' 28" East, 18.27 feet to the **POINT OF BEGINNING**.

Containing 287,684.98 square feet, 6.604 acres more or less, and subject to all legal highways, easements, and agreements of record.



Response:

To respond to this comment, it was necessary to review the soil data for the referenced "wedge". Based on that review, two contaminants of concern (COCs) were identified. A risk analysis was then performed using those two COCs. The analysis bounded the risks from the uncontrolled release of the "wedge" soil by assuming the soils were relocated to a residential area. The risk results were used to determine if the deed restriction was required to protect human health and the environment. Results and conclusions are summarized below.

**Contaminants of concern.** The data review confirmed that the plutonium-238 value of 26 pCi/g was the highest Pu-238 result reported in and around the "wedge". It is important to note that the value was generated using soil screening instruments that have a plutonium-238 detection limit of about 25 pCi/g. Therefore, actual Pu-238 concentrations in the area, as documented by measurements made with more sensitive instruments, were much lower (# 3.9 pCi/g). However, in the interest of conservatism, the 26-pCi/g result was used to evaluate the residual risks potentially associated with exposure to Pu-238 in the soil. (Note that a 95% upper confidence level was not calculated as fewer than 20 Pu-238 results were available.)

The cesium-137 value of 0.6 pCi/g was also found to be an appropriate bounding concentration. The highest measured Cs-137 concentration was outside, but in proximity to, the boundaries of the wedge. For cesium, a 95% upper confidence level was not calculated as fewer than 20 cesium-131 results were available.

All other radionuclide results were at or below their respective background levels. Specifically, isotopes of radium, thorium, and uranium were detected, but in concentrations that did not warrant inclusion in this analysis.

**Risk analysis.** The analysis assumed an individual would incidentally consume and ingest soils from the wedge. The same individual was assumed to receive external exposure from the soil and to ingest additional radioactivity via transfer of the contaminants from the soil to produce grown in a home garden. The results of the risk analysis are shown in the following two tables.

**Table 1. Release Block "H" Wedge Risk Analysis for Pu-238**

**Risk Calculations for Pu-238 Soil Inhalation, Soil Ingestion, External Exposure, and Consumption of Produce from a Home Garden**  
(Ref: Equation and parameter values from Risk-Based Guideline Values, March 1997)

**Maximum Pu-238 Soil Concentration**

26 pCi/g Concentration (Location SCR974 -- in the center of the RB H "wedge")

**Slope Factors**

2.95E-10 risk/pCi ingested  
2.74E-08 risk/pCi inhaled  
1.94E-11 risk/yr/pCi/g

**Risk: Residential Soil Ingestion**

Risk = CS \* EF \* [(IRc\*EDc)+(IRa\*EDa)] \* ING SF  
CS = 26 pCi/g (CS = concentration in soil)  
EF = 350 days/year (EF = exposure frequency)  
IRc = 0.2 g/day (IRc = child ingestion rate)  
EDc = 6 years (EDc = child exposure duration)  
IRa = 0.1 g/day (IRa = adult ingestion rate)  
EDa = 24 years (EDa = adult exposure duration)  
ING SF = 2.95E-10 risk/pCi ingested

**Risk = 9.66E-06**

**Risk: Residential Soil Inhalation**

Risk = CS \* EF \* ED \* IR \* (1/PEF) \* INH SF \* 1000 g/kg  
CS = 26 pCi/g (CS = concentration in soil)  
EF = 350 days/year (EF = exposure frequency)  
ED = 30 years (ED = exposure duration)  
IR = 20 m<sup>3</sup>/day (IR = inhalation rate)  
PEF = 4.28E+09 m<sup>3</sup>/kg (PEF = particulate emission factor)  
INH SF = 2.74E-08 risk/pCi inhaled

**Risk = 3.50E-08**

**Risk: Residential External Exposure**

Risk = CS \* ED \* (1-SE) \* TE \* EXT SF  
CS = 26 pCi/g  
ED = 30 yr (ED = exposure duration)  
SE = 0.2 unitless (SE = gamma shielding factor)  
TE = 0.375 unitless (TE = gamma exposure time factor)  
EXT SF = 1.94E-11 risk/yr/pCi/g (EXT SF = external slope factor)

**Risk = 4.54E-09**

**Risk: Residential Home Garden**

Risk = CS \* BV \* IR \* FI \* EF \* ED \* ING SF  
CS = 26 pCi/g (CS = concentration in soil)  
BV = 5.0E-04 unitless (BV = soil-to-plant concentration factor for plutonium)  
IR = 340 g/day (IR = produce ingestion rate)  
FI = 0.36 unitless (FI = fraction of produce from home garden)  
EF = 350 days/year (EF = exposure frequency)

ED = 30 years (ED = exposure duration)  
ING SF =  $2.95\text{E-}10$  risk/pCi ingested (ING SF = ingestion slope factor)  
Risk =  $4.93\text{E-}06$  [REDACTED]

**Pu-238 Risk Summary for Residential Use of RB H Wedge Soil**

	Risk
Soil ingestion	$9.66\text{E-}06$
Soil inhalation	$3.50\text{E-}08$
External exposure	$4.54\text{E-}09$
<u>Home-grown produce</u>	<u><math>4.93\text{E-}06</math></u>
<b>Total</b>	<b><math>1.46\text{E-}05</math></b>

**Table 2. Release Block "H" Wedge Risk Analysis for Cs-137**

**Risk Calculations for Cs-137+D Soil Inhalation, Soil Ingestion, External Exposure, and Consumption of Produce from a Home Garden**

(Ref: Equation and parameter values from Risk-Based Guideline Values, March 1997)

**Cs-137 Soil Concentration**

0.6 pCi/g      Maximum concentration (Location S0219 – just outside the RB H "wedge")  
1.02 pCi/g      Total concentration (including background value of 0.42 pCi/g)

**Slope Factors**

3.16E-11 risk/pCi ingested  
1.91E-11 risk/pCi inhaled  
2.09E-06 risk/yr/pCi/g

**Risk: Residential Soil Ingestion**

Risk = CS \* EF \* [(IRc\*EDc)+(IRa\*EDa)] \* ING SF  
CS = 1.02 pCi/g (CS = concentration in soil)  
EF = 350 days/year (EF = exposure frequency)  
IRc = 0.2 g/day (IRc = child ingestion rate)  
EDc = 6 years (EDc = child exposure duration)  
IRa = 0.1 g/day (IRa = adult ingestion rate)  
EDa = 24 years (EDa = adult exposure duration)  
ING SF = 3.16E-11 risk/pCi ingested

**Risk = 4.06E-08**

**Risk: Residential Soil Inhalation**

Risk = CS \* EF \* ED \* IR \* (1/PEF) \* INH SF \* 1000 g/kg  
CS = 1.02 pCi/g (CS = concentration in soil)  
EF = 350 days/year (EF = exposure frequency)  
ED = 30 years (ED = exposure duration)  
IR = 20 m<sup>3</sup>/day (IR = inhalation rate)  
PEF = 4.28E+09 m<sup>3</sup>/kg (PEF = particulate emission factor)  
INH SF = 1.91E-11 risk/pCi inhaled

**Risk = 9.56E-13**

**Risk: Residential External Exposure**

Risk = CS \* ED \* (1-SE) \* TE \* EXT SF  
CS = 1.02 pCi/g  
ED = 30 yr (ED = exposure duration)  
SE = 0.2 unitless (SE = gamma shielding factor)  
TE = 0.375 unitless (TE = gamma exposure time factor)  
EXT SF = 2.09E-06 risk/yr/pCi/g (EXT SF = external slope factor)

**Risk = 1.92E-05**

**Risk: Residential Home Garden**

$$\text{Risk} = \text{CS} * \text{BV} * \text{IR} * \text{FI} * \text{EF} * \text{ED} * \text{ING SF}$$

CS = 1.02 pCi/g (CS = concentration in soil)  
BV = 4.0E-02 unitless (BV = soil-to-plant concentration factor for cesium)  
IR = 340 g/day (IR = produce ingestion rate)  
FI = 0.36 unitless (FI = fraction of produce from home garden)  
EF = 350 days/year (EF = exposure frequency)  
ED = 30 years (ED = exposure duration)  
ING SF = 3.16E-11 risk/pCi ingested (ING SF = ingestion slope factor)

**Risk = 1.66E-06**

**Cs-137 Risk Summary for Residential Use of RB H Wedge Soil**

	Risk
Soil ingestion	4.06E-08
Soil inhalation	9.56E-13
External exposure	1.92E-05
<u>Home-grown produce</u>	<u>1.66E-06</u>
<b>Total</b>	<b>2.09E-05</b>

**Results and conclusions.** Based on the conservative exposure scenarios detailed above, the absence of a restriction on the movement of RB H “wedge” soils would not present an unacceptable risk to a member of the public. In addition, the RB H “wedge” was not used as a process area, is located outside the controlled (security fence) area, has had no reported releases, and has no anomalous locations identified by qualitative field instrumentation. Therefore, the DOE and the US and Ohio EPAs concur with the request from MMCIC to lift the restriction and the appropriate notations appear elsewhere in this ROD, however, OEPA and ODH recommend that any surplus soils from this area be used or kept on the Mound property to eliminate any future concerns regarding disposition of soil.

#### **4.0 ADMINISTRATIVE RECORD FILE REFERENCES**

Information used to select the remedy is contained in the Administrative Record file. The file is available for review at the Mound CERCLA Reading Room, Miamisburg Senior Adult Center, 305 Central Avenue, Miamisburg, Ohio. The Administrative Record File references for RB H includes the following:

An Archaeological Survey of Portions of the Mound Facility, Montgomery County, Ohio, Public Archaeology Report No. 18, Laboratory of Anthropology, Wright State University, December, 1987.

Literature Review Update and Archaeological Survey of the EG&G Mound Facility and Adjacent Areas, City of Miamisburg, Miami Township, Montgomery County, Ohio, April 16, 1991.

Remedial Investigation/Feasibility Study, Operable Unit 9, Site-Wide Work Plan, Final, May 1992.

Operable Unit 9 Site Scoping Report, Volume 3 - Radiological Site Survey, Final, June 1, 1993.

Operable Unit 9; Hydrogeologic Investigation: Bedrock Report, Technical Memorandum, Revision 0, January 1994.

Operable Unit 9; Ecological Characterization; Technical Memorandum, Revision 0, March 1994.

Operable Unit 9; Hydrogeologic Investigation: Buried Valley Aquifer Report, Technical Memorandum, Revision 1, September 1994.

Operable Unit 9 Background Soils Investigation Soil Chemistry Report, Technical Memorandum, Revision 2, September 1994.

Operable Unit 9 Hydrogeologic Investigation: Groundwater Sweeps Report, Technical Memorandum, April, 1995.

Other Soils Characterization Report, Volume I - Text. Final, Revision 0. May 1, 1995.

Operable Unit 9 Regional Soils Investigation Report, Revision 2, August 1, 1995,

Potential Release Site Package, PRS #93, Final, Revision 2, November 1996.

Residual Risk Evaluation, Release Block H, August 1997.

The Mound 2000 Residual Risk Evaluation Methodology (RREM), Mound Plant, Final, Revision 0, January 6, 1997.

Workplan for Environmental Restoration at the Mound Plant, The Mound 2000 Approach, December 1998.

Memorandum, Randolph Tormey, Deputy Chief Counsel, Ohio Field Office, US DOE dated February 17, 1999 regarding Institutional Controls, Mound Facility, Miamisburg, Ohio.

Letter from Mr. Timothy J. Fischer, Remedial Project Manager, US EPA to Mr. Arthur Kleinra, US DOE dated April, 1999, RE: Ecological Risk Assessment, Release Block H.

Letter from Mr. Brian Nickel, Mound Project Manager, Office of Federal Facilities and Oversight, OEPA to Mr. Oba Vincent, US DOE dated April, 1999, RE: DOE Mound Release Block H Ecological Assessment.

Technical Position Report In Support of the Release Block H Residual Risk Evaluation, Public Review Draft, Rev 2, April 1999.

## Appendix A

### Quitclaim Deed for RB H



## QUITCLAIM DEED

The UNITED STATES OF AMERICA, acting by and through the Secretary of the Department of Energy (hereinafter sometimes called "Grantor"), under and pursuant to the authority of the Atomic Energy Act of 1954, Section 161 (g) (42 U.S.C. §2201(g), the covenants contained herein, and other good and valuable consideration, duly paid by the Miamisburg Mound Community Improvement Corporation, a non-profit corporation subsisting under the laws of Ohio and recognized by the Secretary of Energy as the agent for the community wherein the former Mound Facility is located (hereinafter sometimes called "Grantee"), the receipt of which is hereby acknowledged, hereby QUITCLAIMS unto Grantee its successors and assigns, subject to the reservations, covenants, and conditions hereinafter set forth, all of its right, title and interest, together with all improvements thereon and appurtenances thereto, in the following described premises, commonly known as Parcel H:

Situate in the State of Ohio, County of Montgomery, being in the City of Miamisburg, being part of Section 30, Range 5, Township 2, lying in the Miami Rivers Survey (M.R.S.), and being part of city lots numbered 2259 within the Corporation Limits of the City of Miamisburg, and being more particularly bounded and described with bearings referenced to the Ohio State Coordinate System, South Zone, as follows:

Beginning at a concrete monument, being the North East corner of Section 36 and the North West corner of Section 30, and being the point of beginning for the land herein described, thence S 5E 47' 45" W 130.89 feet to an iron pin being the TRUE POINT OF BEGINNING; thence S 85E 03' 12" E 1023.90 feet to a concrete monument, thence N 6E 54' 59" E 231.00 feet to a concrete monument, thence S 84E 36' 50" E 30.00 feet to a iron pin, thence S 6E 54' 54" W 100.00 feet to a iron pin, thence S 84E 36' 37" E 193.40 feet to a concrete monument, thence S 5E 34' 19" W 571.986 feet along the center line of Mound Road to a point, thence S 90E 0' 0" W 72.86 feet to a point, thence S 51E 28' 1.6" W 48.51 feet to a point, thence S 83E 32' 4" W 97.29 feet to a point, thence S 63E 48' 53" W 98.67 feet to a point, thence N 89E 55' 58" W 173.02 feet to a point, thence N 83E 49' 39" W 244.21 feet to a point, thence along the arc of a curve to the right having a radius of 360.67 feet for a distance of 353.12 feet to a point, thence N 25E 03' 02" W 214.48 feet to a point, thence S 64E 03' 10" W 37.94 feet to a point, thence N 64E 35' 31" W 56.61 feet to a point, thence N 25E 43' 03" W 160.76 feet to a point, thence N 65E 33' 00" E 35.05 feet to a point, thence N 5E 31' 01" E 57.67 feet to a iron pin being the true point of beginning containing 14.29 acres more or less, and subject to all legal highways and easements of record. Prior Deed Reference: Deed Book\_\_\_\_, Page \_\_\_\_.

RESERVING UNTO Grantor, the United States Environmental Protection Agency (USEPA) and the State of Ohio, acting by and through the Director of the Ohio Environmental Protection Agency (OEPA) or the Ohio Department of Health (ODH), their successors and assigns, an easement to, upon or across the Premises in conjunction with the covenants of

Grantor and/or Grantee in paragraphs numbered 1.1-1.3, 3.2 and 3.3 of this Deed and as otherwise needed for purposes of any response action as defined under the Comprehensive Environmental Response, Compensation and Liability Act (CERCLA), as amended, including but not limited to, environmental investigation or remedial action on the Premises or on property in the vicinity thereof, including the right of access to, and use of, to the extent permitted by applicable law, utilities at reasonable cost to Grantor. Grantee understands that any such response action will be conducted in a manner so as to attempt to minimize interfering with the ordinary and reasonable use of the Premises.

This Deed and conveyance is made and accepted without warranty of any kind, either express or implied, except for the warranty in paragraph 3.3 of this Deed, and is expressly made under and subject to all reservations, restrictions, rights, covenants, easements, licenses, and permits, whether or not of public record, to the extent that the same affect the Premises.

1 . The parties hereto intend the following restrictions and covenants to run with the land and to be binding upon the Grantee and its successors, transferees, and assigns or any other person acquiring an interest in the Premises, for the benefit of Grantor, USEPA and the State of Ohio, acting by and through the Director of OEPA or ODH, their successors and assigns.

1.1 Excepting those soils **Commencing** at an iron pin found on the southerly projection of the centerline of Mound Road, said point also being the northeast corner of a 164.13 Acre tract of land as described in Deed Book 1246, Page 45 of the Deed Records of Montgomery County and being the **TRUE POINT OF BEGINNING**, thence South 06E 38' 48" West, 100.00 feet to an iron pin found; thence South 84E 42' 56" East, 193.40 feet to an iron pin found; thence South 05E 33' 53 " West, 571.98 feet to a point on the centerline of Mound Road; thence due West, 72.93 feet to a point; thence South 51E 28' 10" West, 9.97 feet to a point on the proposed westerly right-of-way of Mound Road; thence along the proposed westerly right-of-way of Mound Road, North 06E 34' 20" West, 299.85 feet to a point; thence North 04E 05' 41" West, 185.03 feet to a point; thence along the proposed westerly right-of-way of Mound Road, North 06E 34' 20" West, 75.76 feet to a point; thence along the proposed westerly right-of-way of Mound Road, on a curve to the right for a distance of 130.93 feet with a radius of 923.62 feet and a central angle of 08E 07' 19" and a chord distance of 130.82 feet and a chord bearing of North 02E 30' 42" West to a point; thence along the existing westerly right-of-way of Mound Road, on a non-tangent curve to the right for a distance of 6.10 feet with a radius of 360.00 feet and a central angle of 00E 58' 18" and a chord distance of 6.10 feet and a chord bearing of North 12E 20' 00" West to a point; thence South 89E 52' 28" East, 18.27 feet to the **POINT OF BEGINNING**.

Containing 287,684.98 square feet, 6.604 acres more or less, and subject to all legal highways, easements, and agreements of record. Grantee covenants that any soil from the Premises shall not be placed on any property outside the boundaries of that described in instruments recorded at Deed Book (1214, pages 10, 12, 15, 17 and 248; Deed Book 1215, page 347; Deed Book 1246, page 45; Deed Book 1258, pages 56 and 74; Deed Book 1256, page 179; Micro-Fiche 81-376A01; and Micro-Fiche

**81-323A11)** of the Deed Records of Montgomery County, Ohio (and as illustrated in the CERCLA 120(h) Summary, Notices of Hazardous Substances Release Block H, Mound Plant, Miamisburg, Ohio dated \_\_\_\_\_, 1999) without prior written approval from ODH and OEPA, or successor agencies.

- 1.2 Grantee covenants not to use, or allow the use of, the Premises for any residential or farming activities, or any other activities which could result in the chronic exposure of children under eighteen years of age to soil or groundwater from the Premises. Restricted uses shall include, but not be limited to:

- (1) single or multifamily dwellings or rental units;
- (2) day care facilities;
- (3) schools or other educational facilities for children under eighteen years of age; and
- (4) community centers, playgrounds, or other recreational or religious facilities for children under eighteen years of age.

Grantor shall be contacted to resolve any questions which may arise as to whether a particular activity would be considered a restricted use.

- 1.3 Grantee covenants not to extract, consume, expose, or use in any way the groundwater underlying the premises without the prior written approval of the United States Environmental Protection Agency (Region V) and the OEPA.
2. The Grantor hereby grants to the State of Ohio and reserves and retains for itself, its successors and assigns an irrevocable, permanent, and continuing right to enforce the covenants of this Quitclaim Deed through proceedings at law or in equity, including resort to an action for specific performance, as against and at the expense of Grantee, its successors and assigns, including reasonable legal fees, and to prevent a violation of, or recover damages from a breach of, these covenants, or both. Any delay or forbearance in enforcement of said restrictions and covenants shall not be deemed to be a waiver thereof.
3. Pursuant to Section 120(h)(3) of the Comprehensive Environmental Response, Compensation and Liability Act of 1930, as amended (42 U.S.C. §9620(h)(3)), the following is notice of hazardous substances, the description of any remedial action taken, and a covenant concerning the Premises.
- 3.1 **Notice of Hazardous Substance** Grantor has made a complete search of its files and records concerning the Premises. Those records indicate that the hazardous substances listed in Exhibit "B," attached hereto and made a part hereof, have been stored for one year or more or disposed of on the Premises and the dates that such storage/disposal took place.
- 3.2 **Description of Remedial Action Taken:** Institutional Controls are established. The Institutional Controls are set forth as covenants in Sections 1.1, 1.2, and 1.3 of this Deed.

- 3.3 **Covenant:** Grantor covenants and warrants that all remedial action necessary for the protection of human health and the environment with respect to any hazardous substances remaining on the property has been taken, and any additional remedial action found to be necessary after the date of this Deed regarding hazardous substances existing prior to the date of this Deed shall be conducted by Grantor, Provided, however, that the foregoing covenant shall not apply in any case in which the presence of hazardous substances on the property is due to the activities of Grantee, its successors, assigns, employees, invitees, or any other person subject to Grantee's control or direction.
4. Unless otherwise specified, all the covenants, conditions, and restrictions to this Deed shall be binding upon, and shall inure to the benefit of the assigns of Grantor and the successors and assigns of Grantee.

**IN WITNESS WHEREOF**, the United States of America, acting by and through its Secretary of the Department of Energy, has caused these presents to be executed this \_\_\_\_\_ day of \_\_\_\_\_, 1999.

UNITED STATES OF AMERICA

WITNESSETH:

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State of Ohio                    )  
County of Montgomery    ) SS.

Before me, a Notary Public in and for said State and County, appeared this day \_\_\_\_ of \_\_\_\_\_) 1999, \_\_\_\_\_, who acknowledged that she is the Manager of the Ohio Field Office for the United States Department of Energy, with full authority to execute the foregoing on behalf of the United States of America, and who acknowledged the above to be her signature and her free act and deed.

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Notary Public

## Appendix B

### Legal Description of RB H

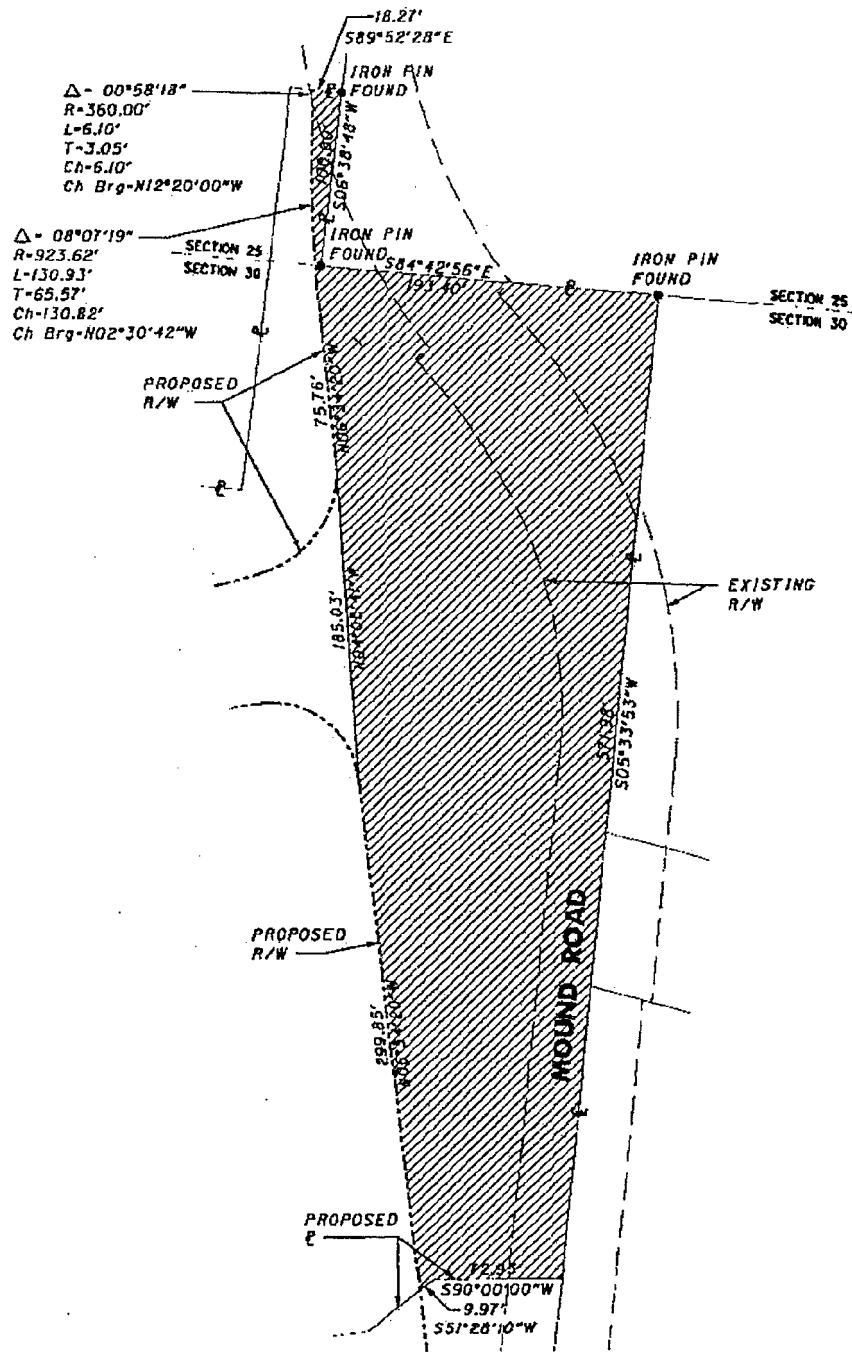
## H "Wedge"

Situate in the County of Montgomery, in the State of Ohio and in the City of Miamisburg, part of Section 25, Town 1, Range 6 MRs and part of Section 30, Town 2, Range 5 MRs and being more particularly described as follows:

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## Release Block H

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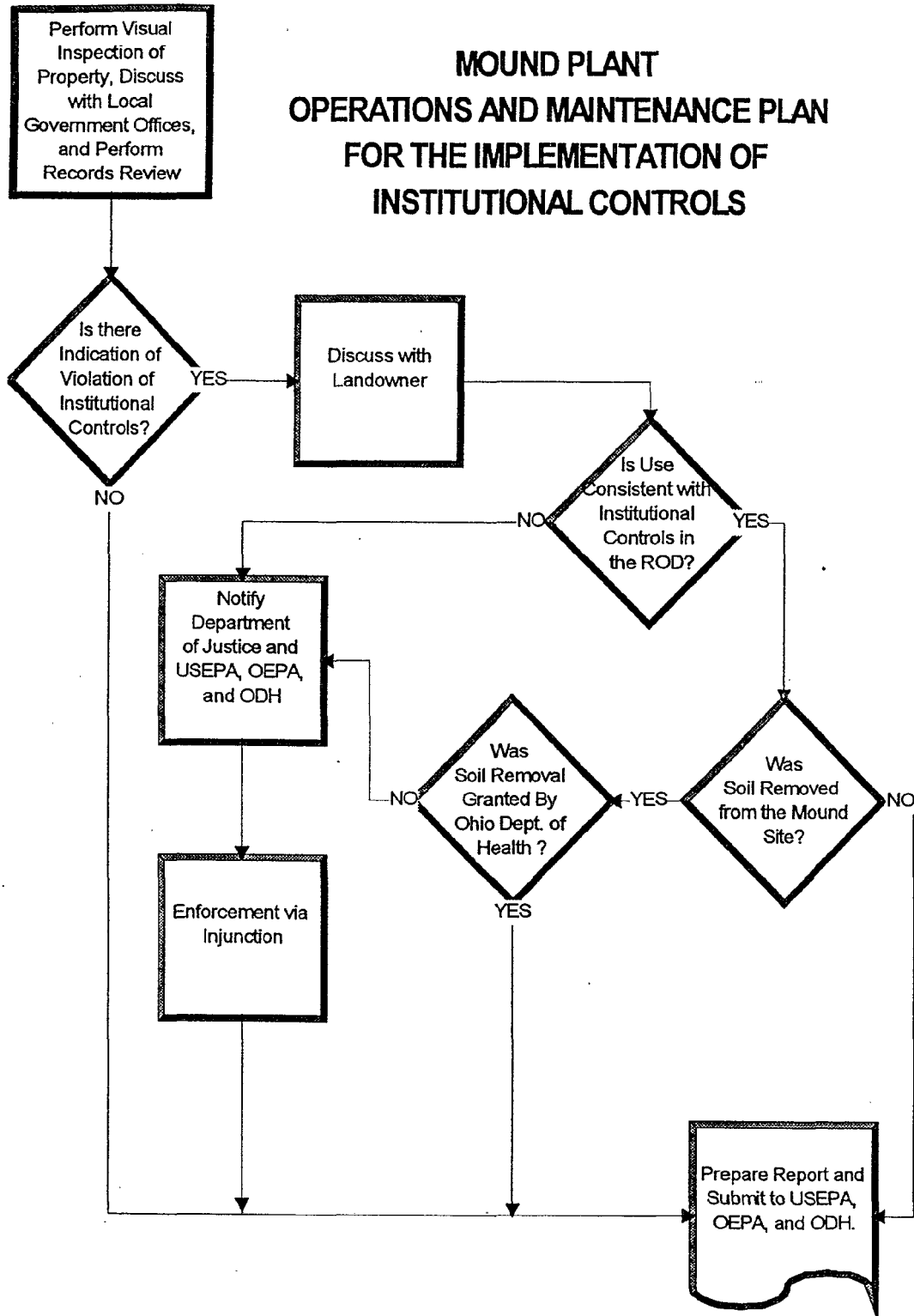




## **Appendix C**

### **Mound Plant Operations and Maintenance Plan for the Implementation of Institutional Controls**

# MOUND PLANT OPERATIONS AND MAINTENANCE PLAN FOR THE IMPLEMENTATION OF INSTITUTIONAL CONTROLS



## Appendix D

### Listing of Applicable Relevant and Appropriate Requirements (ARARs)

### **Chemical Specific ARARs**

OAC 3745-81-11,	Maximum Contaminant Levels for Inorganic Chemicals
OAC 3745-81-12,	Maximum Contaminant Levels for Organic Chemicals
OAC 3745-81-13,	Maximum Contaminant Levels for Turbidity
OAC 3745-81-15,	Maximum Contaminant Levels for Radium 226, 228, Gross Alpha
OAC 3745-81-16,	Maximum Contaminant Levels for Beta Particle & Photon Radioactivity

### **Location Specific ARARs**

ORC 6111.03,	Protection of Waters of the State
ORC 3734.20,	Description of OEPA Director's power for Protection of Public Health and the Environment

### **Action Specific ARARs**

ORC 317.08,	Criteria for County Recording of Deeds
ORC 5301.25(A),	Proper Recording of Land Encumbrances